

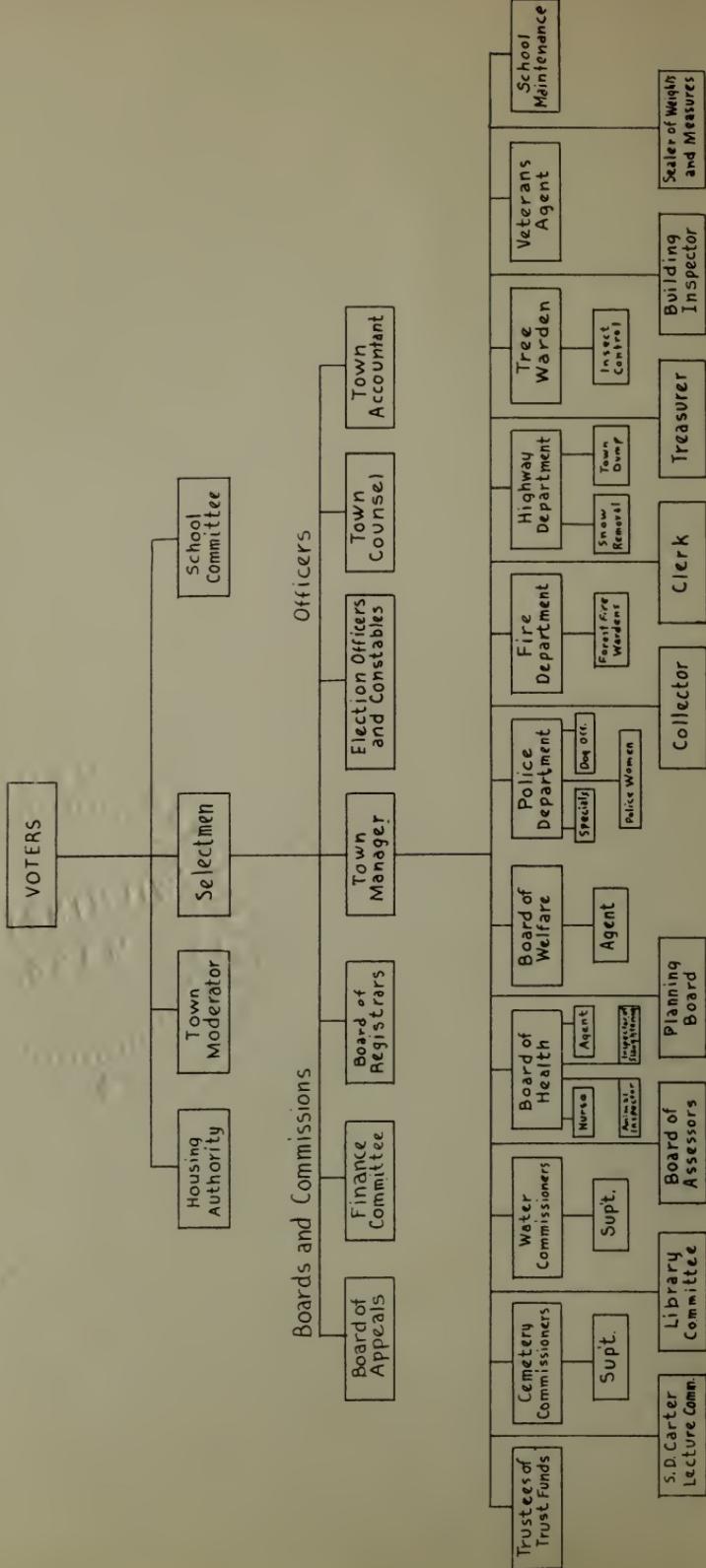
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ANNUAL REPORT of the
TOWN OF WILMINGTON
For the Financial Year Ending December 31
1952

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
ORGANIZATION CHART
Selectmen-Manager Government



MESSAGE FROM THE TOWN MANAGER

Although the Town of Wilmington's report for 1951 was awarded second prize in its population class, several Wilmington officials and interested citizens desired the retention of the bookkeeping details for easy reference. Word descriptions of the various departments, activities, and functions of the town have been reduced while financial data has been expanded. It is hoped that reader interest will be retained by the use of appropriate pictures and concise captions. As an economy measure this year, the town report was composed at the town hall using an IBM electric composition typewriter rather than including this operation in the printing process. Net savings to the taxpayers under this new system will be just under \$500.00 each year.

Due to the growth of Wilmington and the complexity of handling its municipal functions correctly, a full-time accountant, sanitarian, building inspector, two firefighters, and three police patrolmen are budgeted for 1953 based upon the experience of the past year. Capital expenditures are being planned over the years with a new elementary school and police-fire station approved in 1952 with construction in 1953. Planning for the necessary addition at the high school will begin in 1953 and be presented to the voters in 1954, with construction in 1955. Equipment replacements are scheduled each year. With the heavy expenditures of a power grader, fire equipment, and front-end loader nearly behind us, the overburdened Wilmington taxpayer can look forward to regular small capital outlays for equipment paid from the Excess and Deficiency Account, or the Road Machinery Fund, rather than from direct taxation.

The industrial growth of Wilmington and the advancements in methods of operation within the framework of the town government itself, already point out the improved financial standing of the town at the end of the fiscal year 1952, with uncollected taxes reduced by over \$25,000.00, and our surplus revenue increased by over \$75,000.00. If the 1953 budget recommended by the town manager and approved by the board of selectmen is substantially followed at the coming town meeting, Wilmington's taxpayers can look forward to a substantial reduction in their tax-rate, possibly as much as a \$6.00 DECREASE.

It must be realized that the recommendations of the town manager are made only after due consideration for the work projects which must be undertaken in 1953. Any further reduction can only result in fewer progressive accomplishments during the year.

Dean C. Cushing
Town Manager

YOUR TOWN

If you want to live in the kind of a town,
Like the kind of a town you like,
You needn't slip your clothes in a grip,
And go on a long, long hike.

You'll only find what you left behind,
For there's nothing that's really new
It's a knock at yourself when you know your town,
It isn't the town, it's you.

Real towns are not made by men afraid
Lest somebody else gets ahead;
When everyone works and nobody shirks
You can raise a town from the dead.

And if you make your personal stake,
Your neighbor can make one too,
Your town will be what you want it to be;
It isn't your town.....it's YOU.

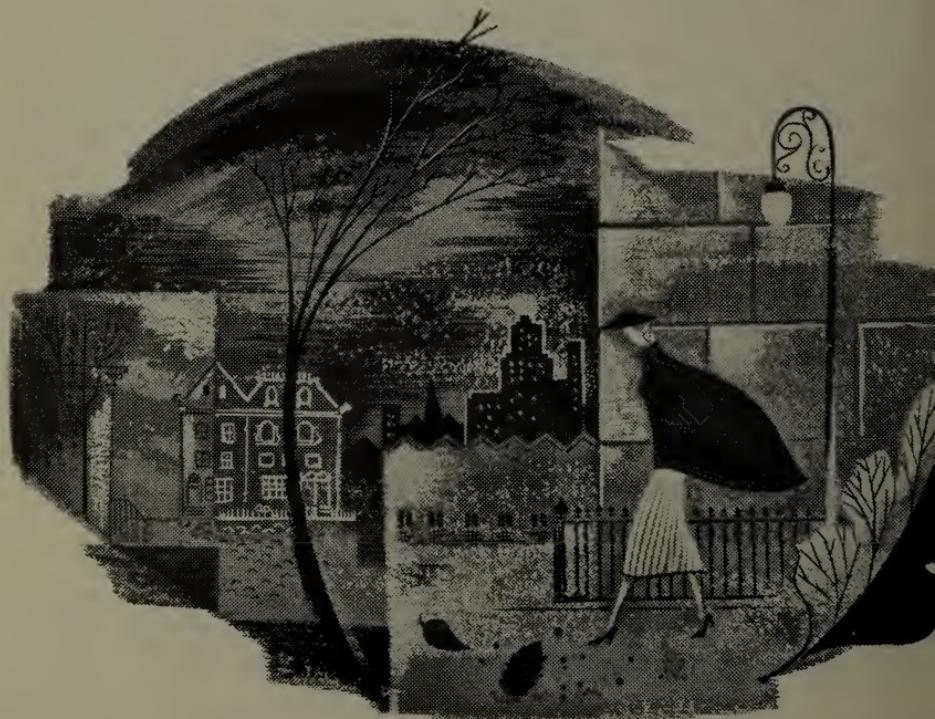


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DIRECTORY OF OFFICIALS
Officers and Department Heads

		<u>Telephone</u>
Accountant	Robert H. Peters	2526
Animal Inspector	Ralph B. Odiorne	524
Building Inspector	Ernest B. Rice, Sr.	2947
Cemetery Superintendent	Ernest W. Eames	639
Clerk	Mary E. Gilligan	3014
Collector	Miriam H. Ware	3014
Constable	Harry J. Ainsworth	468
Counsel	Philip B. Buzzell	2026
Dog Officer	Leo E. LeBlanc	3374
Dump Custodian	David Brabant	2863
Extension Service Director	John R. Evans	474
Fire Chief	Arthur J. Boudreau	Fire 421
Forest Fire Warden		Other 3346
Health Agent	Dr. Gerald A. Fagan	444
Highway Superintendent	James H. White	481
Librarian	Esther Hall	
Manager	Dean C. Cushing	3311
Moderator, Town	David I. Elfman	520
Nurse, School	Esther Nichols, R. N.	744
Nurse, Town	Ann E. Butters, R. N.	2211
Police Chief	Paul J. Lynch	3331
School Superintendent	Clifford J. Good	2052
Sealer Weights and Measures	Samuel Pike	
Slaughtering Inspector	Herbert Thrush	2264
Treasurer	Grace Tilley	3081
Tree Warden	John William Babine	3321
Veterans' Agent	Frederick Horton	2994
Water Superintendent	Edmund H. Sargent	711
Welfare Agent	Walter G. Buckle	2211

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

<u>Appeal, Board of</u>	2839
Winston S. Chamberlin, Secy.	
Carl Heldman	
Joseph A. Maynard	
Samuel Tucker (resigned)	
Howard Woolaver, Chairman	
<u>Assessors, Board of</u>	3081
Louis T. Doucette	
Olive M. Sheldon	
Frank F. Walters, Prin. Assessor	
<u>Carter Lecture Fund Com.</u>	677
Alice M. Allen	
Anna R. Barry	
Helen Hayward	
Mildred E. Neilson	
Guy E. Nichols, Chairman	
<u>Cemetery Commissioners</u>	744
William S. Cavanaugh	
Joseph B. McMahon	
Guy E. Nichols, Chairman	
<u>Finance Committee</u>	496
Charles Allgrove	
Minot J. Anderson	
Herbert C. Barrows, Chmn.	
William P. Curtin, Secy.	
Alden S. Eames (resigned)	
Frank J. Hadley	
John G. Hayward	
Alvin W. Richardson	
Hobart W. Spring	
Frank P. Stevens	
<u>Health, Board of</u>	2545
Charles A. Baldwin (resigned)	
Gaius E. Harmon, M.D., Chmn. (resigned)	
Albert Marfleet	
Ralph B. Odiorne (resigned)	
John E. O'Neil, Chmn.	
<u>Housing Authority</u>	3323
William A. Anderson	
E. Hayward Bliss (resigned)	
Ralph R. Currier, Secy.	
Joseph M. Grimes, Chmn. (resigned)	
Joseph F. McManus	
Gardiner Ritchie	

Library Trustees

3817

Frankline E. Allen, Secy.
Philip B. Buzzell, Chmn.
Mervin J. Curl
May Hadley

Planning Board

3839

Claude Helwig
Edward C. Manning, Chmn.
(resigned)
Norman W. Perry, Chmn.
John A. Ritchie
Elmer H. Woller, Secy.

Registrars, Board of

3014

William L Coffin
F. Talbot Emery
Mary E. Gilligan, ex officio
Joseph P. Ring

School Committee

2052

Ernest M. Crispo
Eleanor F. Grimes, Chmn.
Ruth Gratcyk
John F. Hartnett
Arthur V. Lynch
Warren Willis, Secy.

Selectmen, Board of

3081

Charles H. Black
Henry James Lawler
Kenneth M. Lyons, Chairman
Frederic P. Melzar
Joseph H. Woods

Trustees of Trust Funds

2026

Philip B. Buzzell, Chmn.
Caleb S. Harriman
Edward M. Neilson

Water Commissioners

711

Alden N. Eames
Caleb S. Harriman, Chmn.
Harold E. Melzar
William M. Shaughnessey (resigned)

Welfare, Board of

2211

Florence Balkus
Maurice D. O'Neil (resigned)
Andrew P. Ring

THE UNSUNG HEROES

With nearly a dozen town meetings scheduled for the next two weeks in Greater-Lowell, including several of the largest in the entire area, there could be no more appropriate time than today to pay tribute to the unheralded, unhonored and often maligned heroes of the town governments -- the members of the finance committees.

Of all the thankless tasks that fall upon the shoulders of civic-minded citizens, there is none more thankless than that of membership on this committee. On them is the responsibility of taking the budget estimates of all departments and striving to pare them down to a level where the tax-rate can be held below the confiscation level -- and if anyone questions the difficulty which that imposes upon these men this year, they need only take a look at some of the estimates and compare them with the total valuation of the town involved.

These men receive no pay, yet they meet night after night during January and February hearing the pleas of department heads for more money, more jobs, higher pays, and then spend the remainder of their spare time trying to sort out the wheat from the chaff. They know that department heads, in many instances at least, pad their figures with the knowledge that cuts will be made, and they realize at the same time that other department heads, not as "smart" as the previous group, submit honest figures -- so they must try and decide who padded and who didn't; and cut accordingly.

They have to try and keep their minds clear of prejudice, even though they know that at town meeting some of these department heads and their friends are going to get up and verbally "whale the living daylights" out of them for cutting "such an essential department," even though nothing essential is involved.

Their only recompense is the knowledge that they have done their jobs trying to steer their town through a trying financial morass, and the knowledge that while they may be assailed, blasted and cursed by a few voluble town meeting pressure groups, the ordinary guy who has no axe to grind and who goes to meeting to do his best by voting right realizes that the finance committee members are doing their best to guide him and to make his town a better place in which to live.

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IN MEMORIAM

Caleb S. Harriman
December 26, 1952

Mr. Harriman was born in the State of Kansas, Nov. 15, 1873, and moved to Massachusetts when very young. He graduated from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in 1895 and shortly afterwards entered the leather business in Wilmington.

Mr. Harriman was the first Chief of the Wilmington Fire Department, a former School Committeeman, Chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners, as well as, Trustee of Trust Funds for many years.

It would be impossible to describe all the many services and benefactions of Mr. Harriman to the community in which he lived. Only his friends and business associates are acquainted with all he has done to promote the growth of Wilmington. Mr. Harriman, with his retiring modesty, would not want us to praise him for them.

The advantages which we enjoy today, as citizens of our community, did not come easily. They came, to a great degree, through the self-sacrificing and financially-unrewarded labor which he put into them.

Mr. Harriman was a faithful and considerate public official - his loyalty to the Town of Wilmington brings the consciousness of overwhelming loss - we shall miss him.



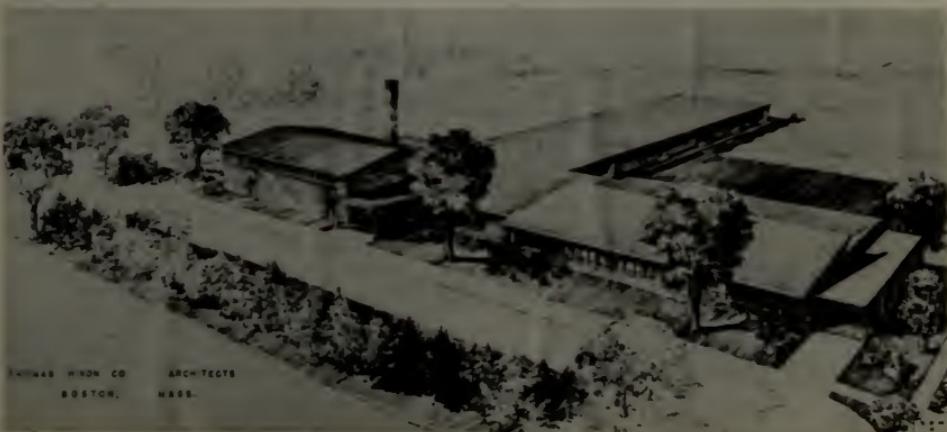
1952 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- strengthened our financial structure through more militant collection of taxes and water bills, cleared major amount of our old large tax-title accounts, reduced unit costs in all departments by the adoption of newer methods of operation.
- induced four more first-class diversified industries to locate and build in our town, including National Polychemicals on Eames Street, and Mytron, Inc. on Middlesex Avenue in North Wilmington -- already in production.
- voted a new combined police-fire station, elementary school, combination high pressure fog and volume pumper fire truck, two Walters snow fighters, a front-end loader, two-way radio for all major departments, and obtained the use of a new Austin-Western power grader without capital outlay to the town.
- co-ordinated all public works departments into one team to eliminate duplication of work.
- established new by-laws and building code based on modern standards.
- began an intensive program of preventative maintenance and repairs in our public buildings, especially schools.



PLANS FOR 1953

-continue our industrial expansion program which has been so beneficial to the town.
-completion of stronger sub-division requirements to eliminate the burden of water main extensions, road surfacing, and drainage construction on the general property tax.
-completion of the rezoning of the entire town to fit present day economic conditions.
-completion of health regulations and expand control of drainage with the establishment of the position of town sanitarian.
-expand our recreational program both at Silver Lake, and other sections of the town without any recreational facilities now.
-obtain a new and larger water supply, and determine sound methods for financing its expansion.
-employ a full time town accountant, and expand our public safety departments to meet the growing needs of a larger community.
-complete a tax equalization survey based on the unit system of assessment.
-begin a major five-year program of street construction; road widening and straightening; culvert relocation, enlargement, and lowering; and land reclamation through ditching and drainage.



THOMAS H. WILSON CO. ARCHITECTS
BOSTON, MASS.

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Wildwood Street

TOWN COLLECTOR

Planned at the same time as the consolidation of all town offices 1952 saw the solidification of Wilmington's financial situation with the greatest percentage of tax collections in recent years. In addition, tax takings are now current and will remain so with the taking for 1952 scheduled for May 1, 1953.

Due to the inability of the state departments concerned to transmit to the local assessors excise tax information on time, our excise tax situation cannot be improved greatly without a change in the State tax law.

All in all, a review of the town's collections in the past two years shows such a marked improvement that our free cash situation for the 1953 Annual Town Meeting can be attributed in no small way to the decision of town officials that, taxes and bills due the Town of Wilmington will now be paid and not allowed to run indefinitely as in recent years.



YOUR CENTRAL TOWN OFFICES

TOWN CLERK

Chapter 46:

Vital Statistics:

Since 1939 nothing had been done about listing of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in the card index file and the special books which list the births, deaths, and marriages alphabetically by years.

At the present time the births have been listed on the card index alphabetically from 1940 to 1951 inclusive. They have also been listed in a special book alphabetically by years up to and including 1951.

Deaths have been listed on the card index file from 1940 to 1951 inclusive and listed in a special book with enough information for reference, so that the cards may be filed. These records are expected to be completed in 1953.

Marriages have been listed on a card index file from the regular record book, but still have to be listed in a book alphabetically by years before these figures can be put in the card index file. These also will be completed in 1953.

When all these records are in files, it will be comparatively easy to locate any record of vital statistics, for the first time in twelve years.

Chapter 114, Section 45.

The Town Clerk has been appointed Special Agent of the Board of Health and now issues burial permits.

Street Records:

Blue prints have been collected from various places in the Town Hall and from the Highway Department, and they have been filed with the Town Clerk so that it is now possible to locate a plan with reasonable ease. Due to lack of files, a good many plans are still at the Water Department; but the files have been ordered, and it is expected that all blue prints will be filed at the Town Hall by 1953.

Streets Accepted:

Streets accepted have been listed on a card index, with the date of acceptance and the distance accepted, for easy, quick, and accurate reference.

Chapter 148, Section 13.
Licenses and Permits

Renewal permits for the storage of gasoline in underground tanks are now issued from the office of the Town Clerk.

A list of all licenses authorized by the Board of Selectmen will be on file in this office shortly, under the name of the licensee and the type of license, to co-ordinate and control necessary enforcement under these licenses.

Town Reports for the years 1910 to 1950 have been bound in volumes of five years each for ready reference. Quite a few of the earlier years are missing so that the files cannot be completed. Reports for the years 1897 to 1903 inclusive, and for 1906 and 1909 are on file. If there are any persons who have reports for the years before 1897 and the other years which are missing, the Town would be very glad to have them so that those old reports may be bound and put on file in the Town Clerk's office. A report for the year 1925 is also needed.

One volume of the Persons Listed by the Board of Registrars of Voters has been bound. This is for the years 1929 to 1938 inclusive. The Town has the books for the years 1914, 1915, 1919 to 1923 inclusive, and 1944 to 1952 inclusive and would be very glad to receive any of the listings of the missing years.

In addition to the Annual Town Meeting this year, Wilmington has had four Special Town Meetings. After the regular Annual Town Election, the following meetings were held: Presidential Primary, Primary Election, and the State Election. At the Presidential Election a new system of counting the ballots was tried without using the counting board. It seemed to be very successful in speeding up the counting and checking errors.

Births recorded in 1952	153
Deaths recorded in 1952	85
Marriages recorded in 1952	81
Chattel Mortgages recorded	298
Chattel Mortgages discharged	59
Dogs licensed	703
Kennels licensed	18
Licenses - Fish & Game	370

Chapter 46, Section 15.

The Town Clerk will furnish to parents, householders, midwives, and physicians applying therefor, blanks for return of births as required by law.

Two of the compiled records of Births, Deaths, and Marriages from 1730 to 1898 have been sold, leaving a balance on hand Jan. 1, 1953 of 75. By a vote of the Selectmen these records are on sale at \$1.00 each. Bookstores are allowed to purchase these copies at 60¢ each from the Town Clerk.

BOARD OF REGISTRARS FOR THE YEAR 1952

In addition to the regular meetings of the Board of Registrars, there have been four all-day sessions before the elections as is required by law.

In 1952 there were seven hundred and sixty-six (766) new voters registered, three hundred and seventy-three (373) men and three hundred and ninety-three (393) women. A total of eighteen have been taken off, as they have moved permanently out of town, making a total of registered voters, as of January 1, 1953, three thousand five hundred and seventy-eight (3578). This number will be reduced, of course, after the listing is completed, and checked with the voting lists for others who have moved out of town since January 1, 1952.

On January 1, 1952 there were listed by the Board of Registrars four thousand three hundred and eighty-one (4381) persons, twenty years and over -- two thousand two hundred and fifteen (2215) men, and two thousand one hundred and sixty-six (2166) women.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash in Treasury, January 1, 1952	\$ 297,054.24
Receipts Sundries	705,048.76
Receipts Collector	562,207.29
	1,564,310.29
Less Treasury Warrants	1,360,288.62
 Cash In Treasury, January 1, 1953	\$ 204,021.67

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Valuation of Taxable Property as of January 1, 1952

Real Estate	\$8,579,560.00
Personal Property	622,138.00

RECAPITULATION

Real Estate Tax	480,455.36
Personal Property Tax	34,839.72
Poll Tax	4,572.00
Excise Tax (Estimated)	32,000.00
Total Appropriation	790,565.81
Middlesex County Pension Fund	5,178.88
State Audit	4,196.68
State Parks and Reservations	869.46
County Tax	13,119.68
Tuberculosis Hospital	5,910.44
Amount of Overlay	20,088.52
Gross amount to be raised	871,634.67
 Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	351,767.59
Total Amount Levied on Polls and Property and committed to the Collector in 1952	519,867.08
 Tax Rate per \$1,000 for 1952 - \$56.00	

TABLE OF AGGREGATES FOR WILMINGTON
OF POLLS, PROPERTY, AND TAXES, AS ASSESSED
January 1, 1952

Compiled from the figures entered in the Valuation List not including figures relating to Exempted Property or to the Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise.

Number of Persons Assessed	Individuals	All Others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	21	14	35
On Real Estate Only	3277	37	3314
On Both Personal and Real Estate	122	4	126
Total number of Persons assessed			3475
Total number of Polls assessed			2286

Value of Assessed Personal Estate	
Stock in Trade	86,875.00
Machinery	81,820.00
Live Stock	69,748.00
All Other Tangible Personal Property	<u>383,695.00</u>

Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate	\$622,138.00
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Value of Assessed Real Estate	
Land exclusive of Buildings	1,605,350.00
Buildings exclusive of Land	6,961,160.00
Northeastern Gas Transmission	<u>13,050.00</u>

Total Value of Assessed Real Estate	8,579,560.00
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate	\$9,201,698.00

Taxes for State, County, and City or Town Purposes,
 including Overlay:

On Personal Estate	34,839.72
On Real Estate	480,455.36
On Polls	<u>4,572.00</u>

Total Taxes Assessed \$519,867.08

Number of Live Stock Assessed

Horses (1 year old, or over)	37
Neat Cattle (1 year old, or over)	0
Cows (Milch)	81
Bulls 4, Oxen 0, Yearlings: Steers 1, Heifers 32	.37
Swine (6 months old, or over)	1,024
Sheep (6 months old, or over)	7
Fowl	13,687
All Other	1,289

Number of Acres of Land Assessed 10,014

Number of Dwellings Assessed 2,368

TOWN OWNED PROPERTY - REAL ESTATE

Water Department - 150 acres of land and buildings	416,000.00
Schools - Approx. 29 acres of land and buildings	629,800.00
Town Park - 93 acres of land	4,500.00
Silver Lake Beach	500.00
Town Hall - 1/4 acre of land and building	8,000.00
Cemetery - Land and Building	23,000.00
Library - 1/16 acre of land and building	2,000.00
Firehouse - 1/8 acre of land and building	2,750.00
Moth House - 6,694 sq. ft. of land and building	700.00
Highway Building - 15,000 sq. ft. of land and building	5,000.00
Common & Flag Staff - 2 acres of land	2,500.00

TOWN OWNED PROPERTY

	Land and Buildings	Furniture and other Property	Total
Town Hall	8,000	2,500	10,500.00
Police Department	-	2,675	2,675.00
Fire Department	2,750	27,000	29,750.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	-	1,300	1,300.00
Tree Warden's Department	700	1,800	2,500.00
Highway Department	5,000	18,000	23,000.00
Welfare Department	-	1,100	1,100.00
Schools	629,800	90,000	719,800.00
Library	2,000	2,000	4,000.00
Parks, Playgrounds, Gymnasium and Bath-house	7,650	850	8,500.00
Water Supply System	416,000	12,000	428,000.00
Cemetery	23,000	2,000	25,000.00
Airport	2,300	-	2,300.00
	\$1,097,200	\$161,225	\$1,258,425.00

WILMINGTON'S VALUATION GOES



New industry took ad-
vantage of our potentia-
lities.

J. W. Greer Co.



Raffi and Swanson



National Polychemical



New England Gas Products

ND UP AND UP

ndustry alone did not
ncrease our valuation.

Wilmington's merchants
did their part.

Before →
and
After ↓



Homes too reflected the
new spirit

New Construction



Remodeling

TOWN COUNSEL

In accordance with the requirements of the Town by-laws, my report as Town Counsel covering the year 1952 follows:

A. On January 1, 1952, there were pending the following actions by or against the Town (exclusive of actions in which the Town was merely summoned as trustee, and in which it had no interest, and of tax lien foreclosure proceedings in the Land Court):

City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell. (Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover the sum of \$275.96 for special vocational training of certain pupils.)

City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell. (Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover \$657.77 plus interest for aid furnished in a public welfare case.)

City of Lowell v. Town of Wilmington, District Court of Lowell. (Action of contract by City of Lowell to recover \$721.90 for aid furnished in a public welfare case.)

Town of Wilmington v. A Certain Defendant, Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex. (Action of contract under G. L. Chap. 117, Sec. 5.)

Jacob Levine & Sons v. Town of Wilmington, Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex. (Action of contract to recover burial expense.)

Town of Wilmington v. Edward N. Gadsby et als, Commissioners of Department of Public Utilities and Boston and Maine Railroad Company, Supreme Judicial Court, Suffolk County. (Petition to review certain rulings and orders of the Department of Public Utilities in connection with protection at the Middlesex Avenue Grade Crossing of the Boston and Maine Railroad.)

Town of Wilmington v. Arthur S. Flint, Middlesex Superior Court. (Bill in equity to restrain defendant from further prosecuting an action against the Town to recover for flooding of his land.)

Arthur S. Flint v. Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court. (Action at law to recover for flooding of plaintiff's land.)

Blanche E. McQuaid v. Ernest Rice, Sr. Building Inspector and Joseph L. Cunningham et al, Members of the Board of Appeal of the Town of Wilmington, Middlesex Superior Court. (Bill in

equity to review action of Board of Appeal denying permit for lunch-room on Grove Avenue.)

Ernest B. Rice, Inspector of Bldgs. of the Town of Wilmington v. Myer I. Eilberg, Middlesex Superior Court. (Bill in equity to enjoin certain erections and alterations of the building at the corner of Main and Church Streets without a building permit.)

Town of Wilmington v. Refrigerator Truck Body Inc. and Harold T. Stanton, Middlesex Superior Court. (Action of tort to recover damages to police car resulting from collision with truck.)

City of Boston v. Town of Wilmington, Suffolk Superior Court. (Action of contract to recover for aid rendered various persons whose legal settlement is supposed to be in Wilmington.)

Francis E. Kelley, Atty. General v. Maurice D. O'Neill et al as Members of the Board of Public Welfare, Suffolk Superior Court. (Petition for writ of mandamus to compel the Board of Public Welfare to furnish aid to dependent children of a certain applicant.)

Samuel Freedman v. Town of Wilmington, Suffolk Superior Court. (Action of tort for personal injuries claimed to have resulted from a defect in the highway.)

Town of Wilmington v. Julia Godzyk, Administratrix of the Estate of Andrew Klebasz, Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex. (Action of contract to recover amounts expended by the Town for support and hospital treatment of decedent.)

Marion J. Murphy v. Ernest Rice, Sr., Bldg. Inspector et al, Middlesex Superior Court. (Equity appeal to review the action by the Board of Appeal in denying a variance under the Zoning By-law requested by the petitioner.)

B. (1) During the year 1952 the following new actions were brought by or on behalf of the Town:

Town of Wilmington v. Estate of a certain recipient of old age assistance, Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex. (Action of contract to recover amounts expended for old age assistance to the decedent.)

Town of Wilmington v. City of Cambridge, Middlesex Superior Court. (Action of contract to recover for aid furnished in a public welfare case.)

Town of Wilmington v. City of Somerville, Middlesex Superior Court. (Action of contract to recover for aid furnished in a public welfare case.)

(2) During the year 1952 no new actions were brought against the Town or its officers or agents.

C. During the year 1952 the following actions by or against the Town were finally disposed of:

Francis E. Kelley, Atty. General v. Maurice D. O'Neill et al as Members of the Board of Public Welfare, Suffolk Superior Court. (Petition for writ of mandamus to compel the Board of Public Welfare to furnish aid to dependent children of a certain applicant.) Disposed of by the entry of final judgment directing the payment by the Board of Public Welfare of aid to dependent children of a certain applicant.

D. Compensation was received by the Town Counsel in said matters and in all other matters during the year as follows:

Compensation	\$ 590.00
Disbursements	26.31

(The above amounts were entirely on account of services rendered and disbursements paid in the calendar year 1952.)

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Because of the rapid growth of the Town and increasing use of the library's facilities, we have found it advisable to open the library for an additional day. Under the new schedule the library is now open Tuesday, Thursdays, and Saturdays, during the same hours as before. This change has required the appointment of Mrs. Louise Balser as assistant librarian, since Mrs. Hall was unable to give the additional time. We wish once more to express our appreciation of her most efficient and faithful services.

The exterior painting of the library was begun with a first coat in the fall of 1952 and will be finished next spring. This will complete the program of repair and improvement of our physical plant which was begun by our late chairman, Louis McMahon. The trustees hope now to build up the contents of the library to keep pace with these physical improvements, and we are accordingly including in our 1953 budget a substantially larger item for the purchase of books.

During the year, the library has received gifts of books from the Whitefield Mothers Club, the Girl Scouts, Mrs. Virginia Erickson, Miss Louise Hosmer, and Mrs. Ralph Odiorne, as well as from a number of anonymous donors; all of which are most gratefully acknowledged.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

	<u>1952</u>	<u>1951</u>
Books added to the library	572	585
Books circulated	9462	8876
Periodicals circulated	511	378
Borrowers registered	1302	1085
Fines collected	138.72	104.33

A comparison of the above figures with those of 1951 shows a gratifying increase in the number of books and magazines circulated. There were 9,973 books and magazines circulated from the library alone. The library is continuing the program of circulating books among the elementary schools in the town through the establishment of so-called "book corners" in the Walker, Whitefield, West, Maplemeadow, Mildred Rogers, and Silver Lake Portable school buildings. An estimate of books circulated to the schools from January to June adds one thousand (1000). Since September, the teachers have been using the few books we were able to send in the class rooms only. There are now one hundred and two (102) books in the schools. The response of teachers and pupils to this service is gratifying.

Due to the increased activity of the library, Mrs. Louise Balser has been assisting most efficiently since September; in addition, Miss Ann Cavanaugh has been a most able desk assistant during Wednesday afternoon since early in November.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Number of Arrests	122	Male -	113
		Female -	9

Causes of Arrest:

Drunkenness	45	Larceny	2
Motor Vehicle Violations	31	Disturbing the Peace	1
Assault and Battery	8	Non-Support	9
Assault with Intent to Rape	1	Run-Away	1
Accessory to Intent to Rape	1	Violation of Probation	4
Assault with Dangerous Weapon	1	Throwing Glass on Roadway	1
Assault with Intent to Murder	1	Being a Lewd Person	1
Adultery (State Police)	1	Breaking & Entering & Larceny	1
Illegitimacy	1	Default	2
A. W. O. L. (Military)	2	Juvenile Delinquents	7
Malicious Setting of Fire	1	Total	<u>122</u>

Those arrested for Drunkenness had their cases disposed of as follows:

Released	30	Case Filed	3
Probation	4	Fined	1
Suspended Sentences	4	Not Guilty	2
House of Correction	1	Total	<u>45</u>

Motor Vehicle Violations were as follows:

Operating Under the Influence	5	Failing to Stop for Red Light	3
Operating to Endanger	5	Operating Uninsured Car	1
Leaving Scene after Accident	3	Operating Unregistered Car	1
Excessive Speed	9	Operating After Suspension (S. P.)	<u>1</u>
Operating without License	3	Total	<u>31</u>



A total of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) was collected by the court for fines imposed for some of the above offenses.

The Department found it necessary to arrest seven youths for being delinquents:

Breaking and Entering	4	False Alarm of Fire	1
School Truants	2	Total	$\frac{7}{7}$

Note the use of the word "necessary" -- you can be sure that this Police Department could make many more arrests of youngsters, but we feel that our first duty is to keep them out of trouble and away from the courts. We are proud of our efforts for we have helped many a youth to get back on the right road.

The records show that the ambulance was used to make 146 trips and 15 other trips were made by the cruiser.

The arrests are down for the year as compared with 1951. In 1951 we had a total of 197 -- 90 of which were for motor vehicle violations. In 1952 we had a total of 122 -- 31 of which were for motor vehicle violations.

The arrest for drunkenness has decreased also. We had 71 in 1951, and we had 45 in 1952.

Larry Cushing, Physical Director of Schools, deserves a lot of praise for the wonderful efforts he has put forth in the promoting of child safety -- which is in direct cooperation with this department.

The Police Department wishes to express sincere thanks to Mr. Clifford Good, Superintendent of Schools, for allowing Larry Cushing to devote his time to this cause, as well as to thank him for the cooperation shown this department in his efforts to curb vandalism. We are grateful to the students, also, for the way they are helping to curb it.

In conclusion, we would like to take this opportunity to extend our most sincere thanks to the Town Manager, the Board of Selectmen, Town Officials, Town Departments, and residents for their cooperation with the Police Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The manual force of the Fire Department consists of: Chief, two Lieutenants, and five Privates. There is a call force of fifteen members.

FOREST WARDEN

Arthur J. Boudreau

DEPUTY FOREST WARDENS

Barrows, Herbert C.

Cail, Harold F.

Eames, Ernest W.

Plumer, Ralph M. Jr.

Sargent, Edmund H.

Williams, Arthur S.

PERMANENT MEN

Bowman, Charles W.

Cail, Harold F. (Lieut.)

Cushing, George S. (Lieut.)

Dewhurst, Raymond T.

Ellis, Charles E. Jr.

Nee, William P.

Plumer, Ralph M. Jr.

Woods, Robert J. (U. S. A.)

CALL MEN

Branscombe, Elmer R.

Buck, Clayton E. (Resigned)

Buckle, Walter G.

Castine, James W. (Resigned)

Cutter, Harry J.

Davis, Michael G.

Deming, Roland C.

Downs, Francis E.

Durkee, Leslie A.

Kleynen, Frederick A.

Mann, William J.

McCue, James H.

Medico, Joseph

O'Neil, Maurice D.

Sargent, Edmund H. (Capt.)

Webster, Charles L.

Williams, Arthur S.

The Fire Department responded to a total of three hundred and forty-four (344) calls, of which fifty-eight (58) were bell alarms and two hundred and eighty-six (286) were still alarms.

Buildings	38	False	19
Service Calls	45	Auto	23
Resuscitator Calls	26	Chimney	6
Out of Town	4	Brush & Grass	156
Dumps	8	Oil Burners	19

Permits issued for burning

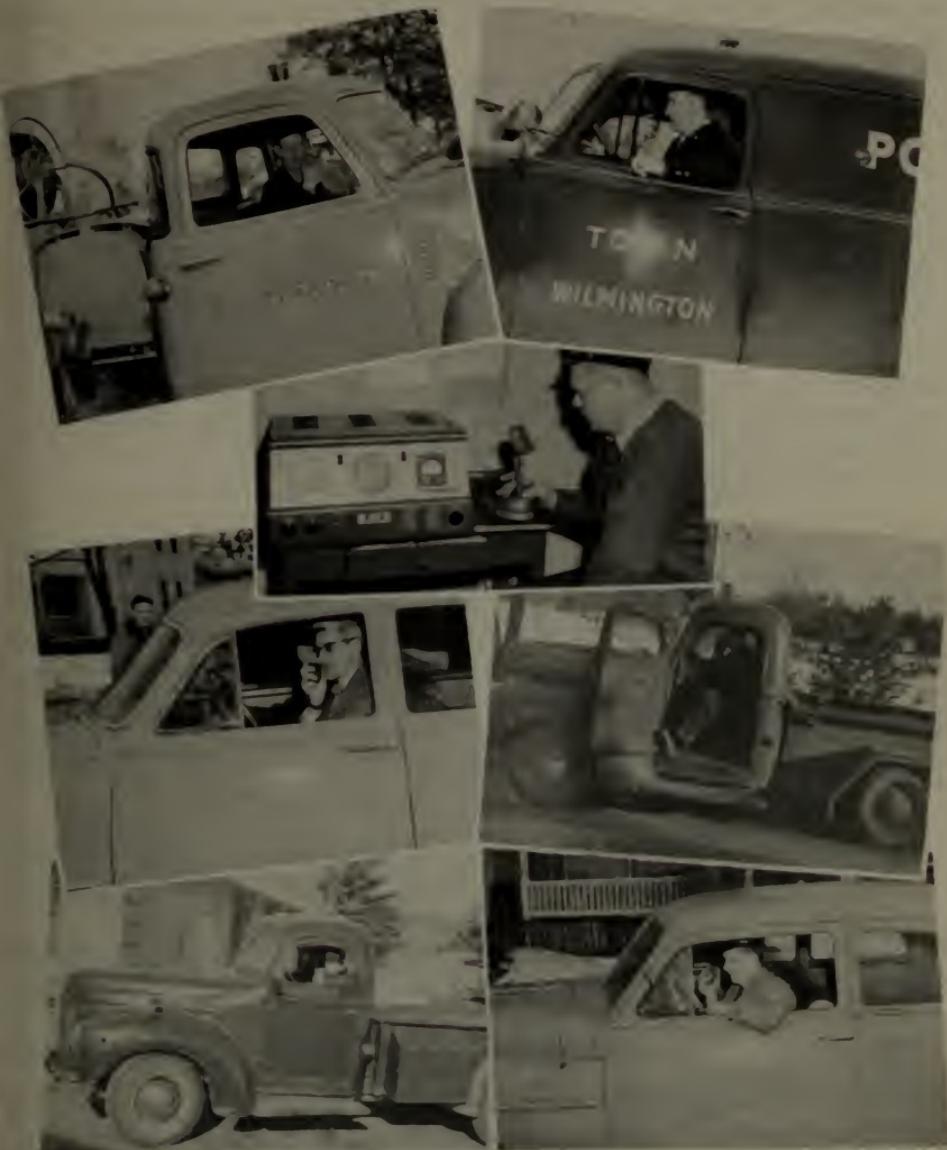
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Permits issued for gas and oil

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A total of 95,175 feet of fire hose was laid; 29,050 feet of 2 1/2" hose, 22,350 feet of 1 1/2" hose, 14,200 feet of 1 1/8" hose, and 29,575 feet of booster hose. Ladders raised 646 feet.

Total value of property endangered was \$177,190.00. The loss of property was \$39,105.00.



Installation of two-way radio biggest step toward coordination in town history.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

During the past year, the department has continued to improve the accepted residential streets on the basis of a five-year program for the widening and straightening of major through streets. Concentration has been on the roads which serve Wilmington's new industrial areas, since the new industries should expect correctly constructed highways for their trucks and employee's vehicles. Thus far the town's industrial expansion has been concentrated in one area, but the last few months saw one new industry locate in North Wilmington, and several corporations are discussing the use of the other industrial areas along the railroads and adjacent to the town boundaries.

Eames Street has been given an initial temporary treatment in 1952, with 3,000 feet to be reconstructed and widened in 1953. With the cooperation of the State Department of Public Works, town officials, and the Wilmington Highway Department, Chapter 81 funds added to part of the regular town appropriation, can be used for this type of construction since the Commonwealth also benefits from serving industry. The problem of the Eames Street railroad bridge must be deferred for several years until the town has a larger surplus for capital expenditures, since the taxpayer's share of a new bridge at this location would be \$18,000.00.

After careful deliberation in regard to highway equipment, it was decided to replace a 1946 International dump truck, and a 1940 half-ton pickup truck now used by the Highway Department. The old pickup will be turned over to the school maintenance department, as its trade-in value is negligible, and it is felt that its value to the School Department would be much more. It is also requested that the town purchase the new grader we are now using at \$600.00 per month rental. The balance by Town Meeting will be about \$9400.00 on an original price of \$16,500.00.

Chapter 90 maintenance work as laid out by the State engineer was completed and approved by the State Public Works Department.

Burlington Avenue:
(Route 62)

All catch basins cleaned, street surfaced with a pea gravel and asphalt mix for a distance of about 4400 feet.

Church Street:

All catch basins and gutters cleaned, surface patched where needed.

Middlesex Avenue:

All catch basins and gutters cleaned, widened and surfaced with a heavy pea gravel and asphalt mix from Mystic Avenue to the top of Federal Hill.

Salem Street:	All catch basins cleaned, some brush cut, and surfaced for a distance of 3000 feet with extra heavy asphalt and oil treated stone.
Shawsheen Avenue:	All catch basins cleaned. Surfaced with extra heavy asphalt for a distance of about 3000 feet.

Other work done on the above streets was paid out of Chapter 81 and Town funds.

Chapter 90 Construction: The construction carried over from 1951 was completed from High Street to the Whitefield School. Work on Salem Street was started at the North Reading line. Much of the preliminary work has been done, but the land at the town line belongs to the State Hospital, and not released in time to do any street work. This, plus another section, will be done in 1953.

Chapter 81. All the streets listed below received the bulk of repairs, either in part, or its entire length. Much of the extra work done on these streets was with town funds alone. All the work has been completed and approved by the State Engineer.

Adams Street:	Gravel and 40 feet of large arch pipe.
Aldrich Road:	1800 feet new treated gravel, and 1200 feet more surface treated with asphalt and covered with sand.
Andover Street:	400 feet surfaced with asphalt and covered with sand.
Baker Street:	Surfaced with a pea gravel and asphalt mix.
Ballardvale Street:	One mile surfaced with asphalt and covered with sand.
Beech Street:	1200 feet new gravel treated.
Brand Avenue:	Surfaced with a pea gravel and asphalt mix.
Butters Row:	1200 feet surfaced with a pea gravel and asphalt mix.
Central Street:	Regraveled for surfacing treatment in 1953.
Chapman Road:	Surface treated with asphalt and covered with sand.
Chestnut Street:	(at foot of Hillside Way) graveled and surface treated, also 1200 feet surfaced with a pea gravel and asphalt mix.
Cochran Road:	Regraveled.
Concord Street:	1800 feet surfaced with a pea gravel and asphalt mix, plus 1200 feet of surface with asphalt and covered with sand.
Coolidge Road:	Surface treated with asphalt and covered with sand.

Cunningham Street:	Pipe and gravel.
Dayton Road:	Surface treated with asphalt and covered with sand.
Eames Street:	Surface treated with tar and covered with sand.
Federal Street:	900 feet pea gravel mix, 2900 feet surface treated with asphalt and sand covered.
Grant Street:	Surface treated with asphalt and sand covered.
Harnden Street:	Surfaced with asphalt and covered with sand.
Hathaway Road:	Surface treated entire length with a pea gravel and asphalt mix.
Hillside Way:	Widened, graveled, culvert installed and surface treated.
Jones Avenue:	Surfaced with asphalt and covered with sand.
Lake Street:	Surfaced 1000 feet with asphalt and covered with sand.
Laurel Avenue:	All new gravel treated.
Liberty Street:	Surface treated with asphalt and sand covered.
Lincoln Street:	Surface treated with asphalt and sand covered.
Mackey Road:	Surface treated with asphalt and sand covered.
Marion Street:	1200 feet new gravel treated.
Marjorie Road:	Regraveled.
Miller Road:	Surfaced with asphalt and covered with sand.
Mystic Avenue:	Graveled, widened and surface treated.
Nassau Avenue:	800 feet new gravel treated.
North Street:	Surfaced with a pea gravel and asphalt mix.
Pershing Street:	Surface treated with asphalt and sand covered.
Shawsheen Avenue:	Surfaced with heavy asphalt and oil treated stone.
Veranda Avenue:	Surfaced with asphalt and covered with sand.
West Street:	4000 feet surface treated with asphalt and covered with sand.
Wildwood Street:	Treated with asphalt and tar, back covered with sand, also 500 yards of gravel used.
Wilson Street:	Surface treated with asphalt and sand covered.
Woburn Street:	4500 feet surfaced with asphalt and covered sand, 1000 feet surfaced with a pea gravel and asphalt mix. Section (900') graveled and not treated due to cold weather and frost.

All the newly accepted streets have been completed except Adams Street. The arch pipe has now been delivered, and remains to be installed. Cross Street is almost completed - two head walls remain to be built, and some ledge and one large pine at the Main Street entrance must be removed.

The co-ordination between departments has aided greatly in improving not only construction and maintenance but also snow removal as well.

Culverts to be renewed in 1953:

Ballardvale Street	1	Equalizer near McLaughlin
Boutwell Street	1	Walter Currier
Chestnut Street	1	Near Burtwell farm
Glendale Circle	1	Also 2 basins
Grove Avenue		One basin, 1 manhole and 12" pipe Two culverts extended
Lake Street	1	At old canal is questionable
Middlesex Avenue	1	At bog to flood same
Park Street	1	Extended for safety
West Street	3	Foley, Geswell, Suncrest Ave.
Wild Avenue	1	At Silver Lake R.R. Station, belongs to B & M. Should be checked as to capacity. This is also questionable.

List of major projects to be considered as to their importance to the growth of the Town, and accomplished within one to five years depending on other or unforeseen requirements that may arise. (The number before the project does not signify the order in which the project will be done).

1	Eames Street	Started, will be finished in 1953.
2	Adams Street	Widen from Church St. to Adams St. Ext.
3	West Street	Widen and renew culverts. Reset walls.
4	Chestnut Street	Widen, relocate sections, culvert and and reset walls.
5	Roosevelt Road	Construct middle section, blast ledge, boulders and then gravel.
6	Ballardvale Street	Widen one mile more or less, 1 culvert.
7	Andover Street	Widen and remove large trees & stumps.
8	Lake Street	Widen. Should be relocated in sections.
9	Boutwell Street	Widen and remove curves as far as possible.
10	Forrest Street	Widen, remove some trees and reset wall.
11	Park Street	Widen, remove trees. Extend culvert.
12	Concord Street	Widen from Woburn St. to R.R. tracks.
13	Federal Street	Widen entrance from Woburn Street.
14	Hopkins Street	Water condition corner of Shawsheen Avenue. Widen near mink farm and remove trees.
15	Grove Avenue	Water condition near entrance to Mildred Rogers School.
16	Fairview Avenue	Eliminate water pocket.
17	Wildwood Street	Widen one section for new school.

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| 18 | Brattle Street | Entrance from Glen Road remove large tree. |
| 19 | Ballardvale Street | R. R. Bridge. Relocate street to where water main is laid. Plan now on hand. |
| 20 | Walker School Yard | Grade to eliminate water condition. |
| 21 | Junior High School | Surface treat driveway |
| 22 | Whitefield School | Surface treat driveway |
| 23 | Woburn Street | Side drain from Park Street towards High Street. |
| 24 | Salem Street | Culvert near property of Jenkins. |



New, modern highway equipment cut costs in 1952, helping to make possible a lower tax rate in 1953.

WATER DEPARTMENT

The following streets voted for 1952 construction of water mains have been completed:

Eames Street	Laurel Avenue
Hillside Way	Washington Ave.
Hobson Avenue	Wiser Street
Jaquith Road	

To save the new road surface on Route #62 from being dug up, an 8" Valve was installed, and 54 feet of 8" pipe was laid across Middlesex Avenue to Shady Lane Drive, while highway department crews were constructing this section of street under Chapter 90, Construction Funds.

Hydrants: Fourteen (14) new hydrants have been added to the system, and repairs were made on ten (10) already installed, giving each home-owner within five hundred feet of any one of these new hydrants reduced insurance costs.

Service Connections: One hundred and forty-seven (147) new services were installed during the year, making a total of eighteen hundred and fifty (1850) connected to date. Over one hundred and twenty of these connections were for new homes - another indication of Wilmington's rapid growth. Twelve old services have been repaired.

The department now has two connections with the Town of Tewksbury water system which will be beneficial to both Towns during times of heavy water consumption for gardening or for fire fighting.

Corrosion Control: In an endeavor to improve the method of retarding corrosion in the distribution system, a program of feeding Calgon into the water as it entered the system at the pumping station was begun in 1952. Calgon is apparently successful in the control of red or rusty water which has been troublesome in the past. Calgon, a trade name for hexametaphosphate, dissolves the iron and allows it to remain in solution, and also forms a film on the inside of the pipes which is a protection against further rust.

No new equipment was purchased for this process as the department personnel installed a feeder mechanism which they had assembled. For all those interested, a section of cast iron pipe removed from an original main installed in 1928 can be seen at the pumping station.

Starting August 19, 1949, the Smith Pump Company was hired with men from our Department to pull and clean wells here in our well field. Thirteen (13) wells were cleaned that year with good results and increased the flow from each well.

In 1950 nine (9) wells were pulled and cleaned, and twenty (20) were washed with a gain of nine hundred and fifty-four (954) gallons per minute. Test borings at Bent's Pond off Wildwood Street at the rear of the Veterans' Housing were made. The result was ledge, fine sand, and no great amount of water. Test borings were also made in H. C. Barrow's field off Lowell Street with no better results.

In 1951 the project of pulling and cleaning the remaining wells was finished. Test wells on land owned by John Cooke off Glen Road were driven and the water tested satisfactory, but the depth was not sufficient for a gravel-packed well, and houses were being built in the area needed to give ample supply through the years.

In 1952 tests were made on C. S. Harriman's land off Salem Street -- ledge, "no result". Six test wells were driven on Town land in back of the Island or gravel pit; ledge was encountered at about thirty feet. The rigging then moved across Salem Street on land owned by Mr. Thrush -- no luck here. Finally a good quality of water was found off Woburn Street on land owned by H. C. Barrows at the rear of the North Wilmington Nursery. Three test wells have been driven, and samples of water sent to the State Health Department. More work should be done here. A set of six wells could be driven and pump-tested for draw down, amount of water, etc. This location might prove good for an additional supply.

The Department would like to drive more wells in our present well field. Five wells could be added out near Woburn Street. It may be possible to purchase some land from Arthur Williams, and move across Woburn Street and put in eight or ten there.

Another area would be in a northerly direction from the pumping station. This area could be tested with a few test wells here and there, and at a very small cost. The Department would like to make tests as soon as possible. Each well should give about twenty gallons of water per minute. The State recommends fifteen or twenty gallons per minute as a safe yield.

The Town of North Reading is planning to install an auxiliary station and if the supply of water is good, they should be able to help next summer when the consumption is heavy in their town.

The amount of water pumped in the summer months is about double that pumped in the winter months:

1,440,000 gallons per day in mid summer
700,000 gallons per day in winter

From this it is apparent that additional storage capacity is needed, as well as expanded supply to meet the increased consumption due to new homes, greater population, and industrial activity.

The financial statement of the department is included in the report of the Town Accountant. Other statistics concerning the department which may be of interest to the taxpayer follow:

WATER CONSUMED

Year	Gallons Consumed
1948	246,821,500
1949	278,656,800
1950	280,475,100
1951	250,813,500
1952	307,358,900

Fuel Oil Consumed:

Year	Gallons Used	Cost	Gal. per Mil.	Cost per Mil.
1948	23,103.8	2,376.36	93.1	9.66
1949	29,612.4	2,713.82	106.3	9.73
1950	30,392.4	2,776.71	108.0	9.90
1951	24,813.2	2,538.53	101.2	10.12
1952	29,276.4	3,106.36	104.9	10.06

Lubrication Oil Used:

1948	152	114.00	.61	.42
1949	212	165.36	.76	.59
1950	182	141.96	.65	.50
1951	245	190.49	.97	.76
1952	312	252.39	1.01	.82

Oil Used In Heater:

1948	5614	518.59
1949	4150	413.29
1950	3599	310.41
1951	3854	392.00
1952	3725	400.13

From the above figures it can be noted that while the amount of water pumped in 1952 was 25% more than that pumped in 1948, the cost of fuel oil per million gallons pumped increased only 9% in the same period. It is apparent that the department has been pumping water into the standpipe against less pressure because of less stored water in recent years. This is another indication that Wilmington's water supply is not adequate to take care of our increasing needs. Extending water mains will not help this situation. The town must spend money for a new well area and storage facilities.

These figures also show a 95% increase in lubrication costs per million gallons, not only because of increased prices but also nearly all pumping is now through our new Cooper-Bessemer pump which is a higher speed unit than is necessary for our present water supply consumption. The installation of a 15 KW alternator in 1953 will reduce these increased operating costs, and the excess energy thus produced could be used to manufacture our own electricity for lights and motors at the pumping station.



Interior view of pumping station kept immaculate by department personnel.

TREE AND MOTH DEPARTMENT

Tree Department:

The routine work of removing dead or dying trees, broken limbs, and split tops was carried on throughout the year. Roadside brush was cut, hauled away, and burned in accordance with good disease control procedure. Seventeen trees were removed as follows:

Andover Street	- 1 Oak	Lowell Street	- 2 Maples
"	- 1 Maple	Middlesex Ave.	- 2 Maples
Butters Row	- 1 Maple	Park Street	- 2 Pines
Chestnut Street	- 1 Maple	Salem Street	- 2 Pines
Concord Street	- 2 Maples	Shawsheen Ave.	- 2 Maples
		"	- 1 Pine

The wood from these trees was given to the abuttor or deposited at the Highway Department building for use as kindling and stove wood where necessary in all town departments. In an effort to reduce tree loss, all shade trees were sprayed twice.

Moth Department:

In addition to the spraying mentioned above, all moth egg clusters were painted with creosote for the control of gypsy moth, and then an additional spray to shade trees to reduce web worms. As a control of flies and insects, the town dump near the North Reading line on Route 62 was sprayed five times in the spring and summer. Bog holes and wooded swamps adjacent to highways were also sprayed. Since the mist-blower (purchased in 1951) is mounted on the tree department truck, the swamp area which can be covered with DDT is limited by accessibility from highways, and the ability of the wind to blow the DDT spray into the marshes and swamps.

The State Reclamation Board, made up jointly of members of the State Department of Public Works and Department of Health, has investigated the town's system of spraying as described above, and has approved the operation and commended the Tree and Moth Department for its operation in 1952. The Reclamation Board is continuing its investigations into land reclamation and pest control through 1953, and has recommended to the State Legislature that \$25,000.00 be appropriated by the State for an engineering survey of the Ipswich River as the only possible way to improve to a satisfactory degree the open swamp areas of Wilmington which comprise over four square miles of Wilmington's seventeen square mile total.

Elm Leaf Beetle and Dutch Elm Disease:

All elm trees on roads and streets in Wilmington were sprayed four times in 1952 starting April 26 and ending July 20. It is planned to expand this spraying program to private land, since 1952 saw twenty-six Elms destroyed by the Dutch Elm disease. The Tree

Department will charge only the actual cost to any private individual for spraying trees not situated on public roads. This is being offered as a service to the citizens in an attempt to expand the DDT spraying program without increasing the cost to the taxpayers. Over sixty samples of prunings were sent to Amherst for inspection. The tree warden has completed a survey of all elm trees in the town and is cross-referencing information as to location, health, broken branches, split limbs, and cavities to ensure regular and complete inspection as one way of reducing losses through Dutch Elm Disease. This survey with accompanying maps and ledger books has been referred to the State Conservation Agency by request - - to aid other municipalities in New England to work out similar controls for the improvement of shade trees.

Tree Planting:

Each tree that must be removed because of street widening or relocation is replaced by the Town. If replacement at the side of removal of the original tree is needed, a new planting is made at the town park. Cooperation of the Tree Department will be given gladly to any private individual who desires advice on planting of new trees.



SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

	<u>Sealed</u>	<u>Adjusted</u>	<u>Condemned</u>
Platform Scales over 500 lbs.	2	1	0
Counter Scales under 100 lbs.	4	0	0
Spring Scales 100 lbs. or over	7	2	0
Beam Scales 100 lbs. or over	1	0	0
Beam Scales under 100 lbs.	2	0	0
Computing Scales under 100 lbs.	15	0	0
Personal Weighing Scales	3	1	0
Avoirdupois Scales	19	3	0
Vehicle Tanks	2	0	0
Apothecary	3	0	0
Liquid Measures	22	0	0
Meters over 1 inch inlet	1	0	0
Meters 1 inch inlet	33	7	0
Gasoline Measuring Pumps	2	1	0
Oil Measuring Pumps	1	1	0

Sealing Fees Collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer \$ 92.50

The following are weights of commodities for immediate delivery:

	<u>Tested</u>	<u>Corrected</u>	<u>Under</u>	<u>Over</u>
Beans	47	44	0	3
Bread	51	51	0	0
Butter	42	42	0	0
Coal in paper bags	10	10	0	0
Coal in transit	4	4	0	0
Confectionery	29	25	0	4
Fruits and Vegetables	32	30	0	2
Lard	10	10	0	0
Potatoes	35	35	0	0

Number of Licenses Inspected: 24

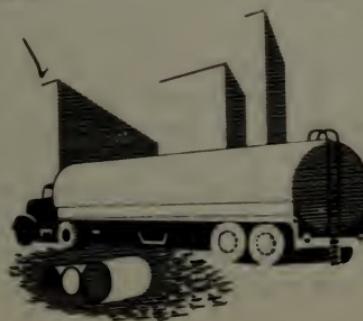
Hawkers and Peddlers Seals 13

Junk Dealers 4

Clinical Thermometers 7

Expenses of Department are as follows:

Appropriations	\$ 325.00
Total Expenses	324.97
Unexpended Balance	.03



BOARD OF HEALTH

The first regular meeting of the Board of Health of the Town of Wilmington for 1952 was held on the second of January with Dr. Gaius Harmon, Mr. R. B. Odiorne, and Mr. Charles A. Baldwin as members. These three members, who composed the original Board of Health in this Town, served until July 30, 1952. During this time the following inspections were made:

Nursery Schools	3
Homes for Boarding Children	2
Piggeries	21
Cesspool sites	5
Written complaints	4

Licenses granted:

Retail selling of Milk and Cream	23
Selling and storing of Anti-freeze	12
Piggery operation	19
Garbage hauling and disposal	18
Vehicular selling of Oleomargarine	4
Funeral Directors	4

It was recommended also to the Board of Selectmen that four Common Victualler Licenses be granted.

The following amounts were paid out of the Board of Health's budget for items noted:

(From January 1, 1952 to July 30, 1952)	
Sanitarium care of Tuberculosis patients	\$ 397.50
Communicable disease hospitalization	372.95
Premature infant care	418.25

The Health Agents appointed by this Board of Health for the year 1952 were:

Health Agent	Dr. G. A. Fagan
Sanitary Inspector	Mr. E. B. Rice
Inspector of Slaughtering	Mr. H. Thrush
Special Agent for Burial Permits	Mrs. M. Gilligan
Clerk of the Board and Asst. to Chmn.	Miss Ann Butters

On July 30, 1952 due to the resignation of Dr. G. Harmon and Mr. Baldwin, two new members were appointed to the Board of Health. The new Board was composed of Mr. Ralph Odiorne, Mr. Albert Marfleet, and Mr. John E. O'Neil. Mr. Odiorne resigned on September 12.

During the remainder of the year the following inspections were made:

Nursery School	1
Piggeries	5
Complaints	4
Cesspool sites	3
Dairy Farms	2
Homes for Boarding Children	1
Goat Farm	2

Licenses granted:

Milk and Cream	11
Homes for Boarding Children	2
Kindergarten	2
Vehicular selling of Oleomargarine	2
Manufacture and sale of Ice Cream (Retail and Wholesale)	1

The following amounts were paid out of the Board of Health's Budget for the remainder of the year:

Sanitarium care of Tuberculosis patients	\$276.12
Abatement of a nuisance	948.00
Communicable disease hospitalization	704.85

Recommendations of the Board of Health:

1. The Board of Health has been faced with many problems during the year, the solutions of which could be hastened by the employment of a Town Sanitarian. It has been recommended by the Board of Health to the Town Manager, therefore, that a full-time sanitarian be employed.

2. The problem of sewerage disposal in the Town is more acute than ever. It is felt by the Board that the only permanent solution is to be found in the installation of a sewerage system. With the prohibitive cost of such a system, and the many commitments already made by the Town, it would seem that a Town sewerage system will be a long time coming. Therefore, all new building sites on which construction was started in 1952 have been inspected and approved by the Board of Health, if the site had suitable drainage possibilities. The Board requests that all citizens and home-owners in the Town co-operate with the Rules and Regulations for cesspools and septic tanks adopted by the Board in 1951.

3. In the interest of cleanliness and orderliness, the Board of Health feels that a regular system of garbage and rubbish collection be instituted in the Town. The present system of garbage disposal where employed by the home-owner, gives no promise of regular garbage collection, and many homes in the Town are without even this type of collection. This also applies to refuse.

4. It is hoped by the Board that a complete set of rules and regulations regarding Public Health be formulated and published by them during the coming year.

In conclusion, the Board of Health wishes to express its appreciation of the co-operation received from Dr. Gerald Fagan, Miss Ann Butters, R. N., and Mr. Ernest B. Rice, our employees, the Town Manager, and from our fellow citizens.

There are many old problems still facing the Board and many new ones presenting themselves, and it is hoped that all of these can be brought to a successful conclusion before the end of 1953.



Morbidity Service

Nursing visits during this period	534
Fees collected for these visits	\$467.50

The purpose of this service is to render skilled nursing care, under the guidance of a physician, and to promote the services that result in a well rounded public health program. This service is available to every individual within the Town of Wilmington.

Immunization Clinics:

This year our immunization program consisted of three individual clinics and was held with the co-operation of the school nurse.

In the spring, the immunization clinic was held for pre-school children and consisted of four clinics. Sixty-two (62) children were immunized against whooping cough, diphtheria, and tetanus. For the first time a booster clinic was also held this spring, for children who had been immunized the previous spring. Seventy-two (72) children received booster doses.

In the fall, another booster clinic was held. This clinic was available to any child who had been previously immunized but had not received a booster dose. Thirty (30) children received booster doses.

The purpose of this program is to give this protection to children before they enter school. A similar program is being planned for the coming year, and it is hoped that every parent will take advantage of the opportunity to protect their children, either through their own private physician or at the clinic sponsored by the Board of Health.

Health Services:

During the year, one hundred and twenty-four (124) visits were made. This is a service offered to mothers with new babies, or families and individuals with health problems or related social problems. It aims at helping and acquainting families and individuals with community resources and facilities, whereby, they may formulate plans for the protection and promotion of their own health and well being.

Miscellaneous Inspections made - 36

TUBERCULOSIS REPORT FOR 1952

Cases on register, Jan. 1, 1952	17
Number moved in from other places	5
New cases reported during year	0
Total	<u>22</u>

Deaths reported during year	0
Number placed on inactive list	1
Number moved away	0
Total	<u>1</u>

Number remaining on register, December 31, 1952	21
Number of these cases in Sanitorium December 31, 1952	1

Number of people transported to North Reading State Sanitorium and Middlesex County Sanitorium for X-rays	87
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INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Dog bites reported	44
Dogs showing physical signs of rabies	0
Animals submitted to laboratory exam.	0

All biting animals were quarantined for the period of time prescribed by law.

Animals quarantined	42
Animals released from quarantine	42
Dogs released from Interstate Shipment	0

Laboratory Report:	Positive	0
	Negative	0

Inspection of Domestic Animals and Premises where Animals are Kept.

Premises, keeping domestic animals, inspected	40
Cattle inspected	156
Horses inspected	32
Hogs inspected	2821
Goats inspected	10
Sheep inspected	15
Cattle released from Interstate Shipment	0
Cattle reacting to the Tuberculin Test	0

All special work assigned to me by the Department of Livestock Disease Control was attended to promptly.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

There was no slaughtering inspected during the year 1952.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE IN WILMINGTON

The Middlesex County Extension Service is an organization maintained by the County in co-operation with the University of Massachusetts and the United States Department of Agriculture to serve the citizens of the town in the field of agriculture and home economics. The work is carried on under the guidance of the town director, who is assisted by the chairman in homemaking and boys' and girls' 4-H Club work.

The County office makes farm and home visits to help when requested; and, in addition, carries on organized projects county-wide under the guidance of farmers' and homemakers' service on county committees.

Radio service is maintained weekly on WBZ, monthly on WHDH, and five days a week, during the summer, on WKOX. A monthly bulletin with a circulation of five thousand (5,000) is maintained, and timely notices of interest to dairymen, fruit growers, market gardeners, poultrymen, and commercial florists are sent to anyone on request.

Some of the special activities of local interest follow: Dairymen were primarily interested in co-operating in the New England-wide Green Pastures Program, the Dairy Herd Improvement Association, Owner Sampler work, and Selective Breeding.

The Extension Poultry Program in 1952 was keyed to help poultrymen and turkey growers to improve the efficiency of their operations, maintain flock health, and take better advantage of their marketing opportunities. Efforts were made to provide breeders with information which might help them to hold their prominent place in the industry, and routine service was provided in all phases of poultry and turkey farming.

Theodore E. Thomas, 214 West Street, and the late Anthony Marmiani, Cleveland Avenue, were both members of the 1952 Middlesex Flock Health Program.

A spray service is maintained by radio to all fruit growers as well as market gardeners. Fruit growers also follow closely the weekly twilight meetings held during the growing season to keep abreast of production and marketing problems. There has been an increased demand from home-owners for information on vegetables, flowers, and lawns.

Mrs. Ellen Domenicis and Mrs. A. G. Hutchings represent their town on the Womens' Advisory Council. They regularly attend meetings and help to plan programs and policies of the Home Department. In the field of Home Management this year, a Sewing Machine Clinic was held where the women learned care of the machines. A Furniture Refinishing Class, A Chair Seating Class, and Slip Cover Making were also taught. A demonstration on Effective Windows completed the Home Furnishings Program. A small leader school in Coat Making was taught in the Roman House.

A leaders' school in Textile Stenciling was held at the Grange Hall for leaders from surrounding communities. Those attending from Wilmington were Mrs. Domenicis, Mrs. Arthur S. Williams, Mrs. Mildred Isaacs, Mrs. Maurice D. O'Neil, and Mrs. Gertrude Bennett. They have taught this craft to a total of twenty-five (25) people.

Coat leaders are Mrs. Gertrude Bennett, Mrs. Winifred Etsell, Mrs. Guy York, Mrs. Ellen Domenicis, Mrs. Pauline De Lucia, Mrs. W. F. Thompson, Mrs. Norman Rice, and Mrs. J. Cotter.

Just one hundred (100) boys and girls carried on activities in garden, poultry, livestock, horse, electricity, clothing, home furnishing, and food preparation. The clubs were under the leadership of Barbara Nims, who was also chairman of the 4-H Town Committee, Mrs. Walter Bennett, Mrs. Fred Corum, Mrs. Anthony Marmiani, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lafionatis, Mrs. Maurice O'Neil, Mr. Samuel Thorpe, Mrs. William Townsend, Mrs. Melvin White, Mrs. Arthur Williams, and Mrs. Guy York.

An excellent achievement program and exhibit was held in the Silver Lake Betterment, Inc. Hall in the spring. Twenty-five girls took part in the activities at County Girls' Day in Lexington. Barbara Nims was awarded the gold "Award of the 4-H Clover" for completing ten years of 4-H leadership. The late Anthony Marmiani received the County Medal in the National 4-H Poultry Contest. Georgette Crispo, Brenda Corcoran, and Jean Bousfield all won First Prizes at the County 4-H Fair on knitting and crocheting.

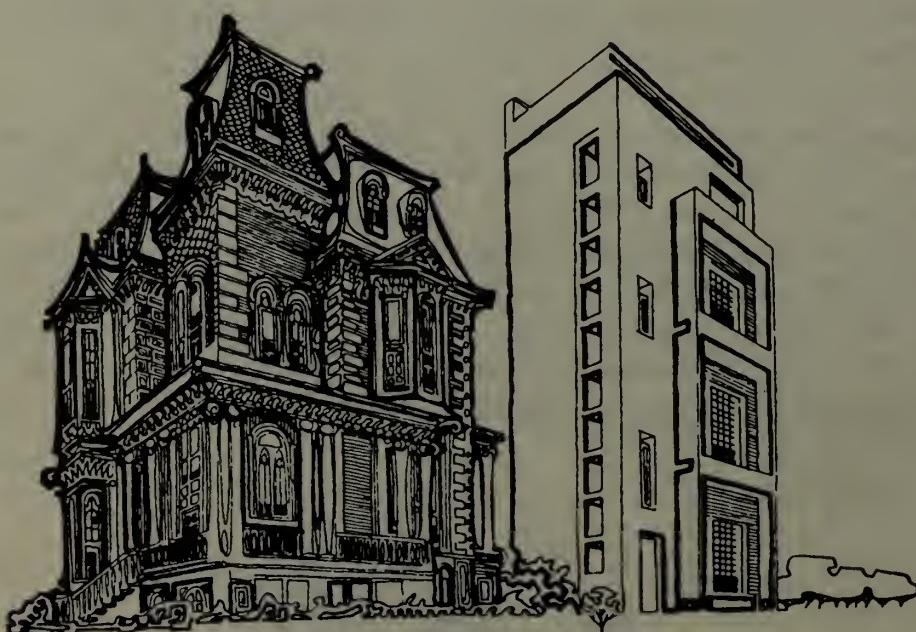


BUILDING DEPARTMENT

There were two hundred and fifty (250) permits issued in 1952 which are classified as follows:

	<u>No.</u>	<u>Estimated Value</u>
New Dwellings	155'	\$1,239,000.00
Alterations	22	13,450.00
Additions	23	20,350.00
Garages	24	11,500.00
Hen-houses	4	9,300.00
Factory Bldgs.	5	74,000.00
Tool sheds	6	1,650.00
Storage	2	5,000.00
Greenhouses	2	1,150.00
Barn	1	1,500.00
Church Add.	1	27,000.00
Foundation	1	300.00
Utility Bldg.	1	6,000.00
Demolish	2	-
Gas Station	1	12,000.00
Total Estimated Value		\$1,422,200.00

Approximate number of calls made	800
Total fees from permits	1,135.00



SANITATION DEPARTMENT

There were one hundred and fifty-eight (158) permits issued:

Septic Tanks	72
Cesspools	93
Seepage Pits	111
Disposal Fields	<u>28</u>
 Total Units	304
Total Inspections	306
 Total Receipts from Permits	\$ 79.00

Third Annual Report of VETERANS SERVICES IN WILMINGTON

VETERANS BENEFITS represent financial aid extended to those needy and qualified veterans of all Wars including the present Korean conflict. The aid cost for this program is shared equally by the Town of Wilmington and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. During the year 1952, eighty-eight (88) individual applications were filed with this Department. Six of these applications were rejected, ten referred to other cities and towns, and seventy-two cases approved for aid, totaling \$7,750.00.

VETERANS SERVICES consist of aiding veterans and their dependents in filing claims against the Veterans Administration, making application for entrance to a Veterans Administration Hospital, the Soldiers Home in Chelsea, and similar matters. In 1952, twenty-three (23) cases of this type were processed as follows:

Veteran's Pension	5	V. A. Hospitals	4
Widow's Pension	7	Soldiers Home	7

Most of the benefits covering World War I and World War II Veterans have now been expanded to include Korean War Veterans who have Honorable Service after June 25, 1950 in the present conflict. The effect of the extension of this program was evident for the first time in 1952 when four cases involving Korean veterans were aided financially.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The Board of Public Welfare submits the 1952 Report covering the types of aid under the jurisdiction of this Board.

Welfare:

During the year 1952, thirty-seven (37) cases, consisting of one hundred and six (106) people, were aided under this type of relief. This is a smaller number of cases than in previous years, and private employment conditions seem to be the prevailing reason for the smaller case load.

Disability Assistance:

During the year 1952, fourteen (14) cases received assistance under Disability Aid, and \$9,288.19 was the total amount authorized by the Board to cover these needs.

Aid to Dependent Children:

During the year 1952, thirty (30) cases received assistance under this category, and \$36,913.80 was approved by this Board for their needs.

Old Age Assistance:

During the year 1952, one hundred and thirty-eight (138) cases were aided under this type of relief, and this Board authorized \$89,187.75 for their needs.



BURIALS IN WILDWOOD CEMETERY

Wilmington Residents Died in Wilmington	19
Wilmington Residents Died Elsewhere	24
Non-residents	33
Transfers	1
	77

PLANNING BOARD

The major work of the Planning Board in 1952 was the control of rezoning land areas proposed for industrial expansion, control of sub-divisions to reduce costs of town services in the future, co-ordinating procedure with the Board of Health on approval of sanitary drainage in new sub-divisions (new state law), and approval of sanitary drainage on all new construction (new regulation of Wilmington Board of Health).

Plans of sub-divisions on Nichols Street, Middlesex Avenue, and Woburn Street were approved; while, plans for sub-divisions on Burlington Avenue and Grove Avenue were disapproved. The present Planning Board program includes strengthening sub-division requirements to include adequate surface drainage, especially catch-basins and culverts, and surfacing new streets after water mains are installed but before lots can be sold.

It is the feeling of the Board that an expert survey should be made in the near future with respect to possible changes in existing zoning laws so that an orderly growth in the future can be insured, along with consideration for the established procedures of the past. Several of the more obvious necessary Zoning Law changes will be proposed at the Annual Town Meeting in 1953.



The Wilmington Housing Authority takes pride in the Veterans Housing Project, consisting of thirteen (13) single dwelling units, located on Wildwood Street.

The year started with the Project forty percent completed. Changes in plans, already approved, were necessary in the installation of the water mains and in the sewage system; and, these items somewhat delayed the completion.

In May, the Authority began to process the seventy-nine (79) applications on file for dwelling units, of which forty-two (42) qualified. The thirteen tenants were selected in accordance with the Housing Act and such directives as issued by the State Housing Board. The Authority visited all applicants, recorded conditions as found, and verified income.

Eight units were ready for occupancy on July 23; and by August 1, all units were occupied. Certain units required considerable fill to bring up to grade. This work, as well as planting of the lawns, was carried on during September.

The certificate of completion with the building contractor was approved by the State Housing Board on November 25, 1952.

Changes in the membership of the Authority occurred in February when Mr. Gardner I. Ritchie was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. E. Hayward Bliss. Mr. Joseph M. Grimes, serving as chairman, resigned on December 30, 1952. He was the State-appointed member.

Two amendments to the Financial Assistance Contract were made, increasing the total amount borrowed for Temporary Financing from \$176,000 to \$200,000.. The items of water extension, sewage disposal, and cost for additional fill were mainly responsible for the increase.

The following is a summary of the cost of the construction of the Veterans Housing Project:

DEVELOPMENT FUND
December 31, 1952

Notes Authorized, 3rd series	\$200,000.00	
Premium on Sale of Notes	<u>8,220.00</u>	\$208,220.00
 Unexpended Cash Balance, Dec. 31, 1952		14,626.52
 Expenses Paid:		
Administrative Cost	894.21	
Architectural & Engineering	9,702.43	
Acquisition of Site	8,197.23	
Site Improvements	13,903.65	
Structures & Equipment	158,745.35	
Tenant Selection Cost	29.65	
<u>Insurance in development</u>	<u>191,472.52</u>	
Net amount paid on interest, 1st & 2nd Series Notes	<u>96.21</u>	
	<u>2,024.75</u>	<u>193,593.48</u>
		\$208,220.00

BALANCE SHEET

Assets:

Development Fund Cash	14,626.52
Development Cost	<u>187,640.15</u>
	<u>202,266.67</u>

Liabilities:

Accrued Interest	2,266.67
Investment	<u>200,000.00</u>
	<u>202,266.67</u>

The following is a summary of the Administration Fund. This Fund covers the receipts and expenses of operation of the completed units.

ADMINISTRATION FUND

Trial Balance - December 31, 1952

Administration Fund	2,948.35
Expenses Paid:	
Utilities	113.03
Expenses	<u>35.28</u>
	<u>148.31</u>
	<u>3,096.66</u>
Dwelling Rent Income	3,096.66

The Authority wishes to take this opportunity to thank the many persons who have assisted them in getting the Project in operation.

Regular meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall at 8.00 p.m.

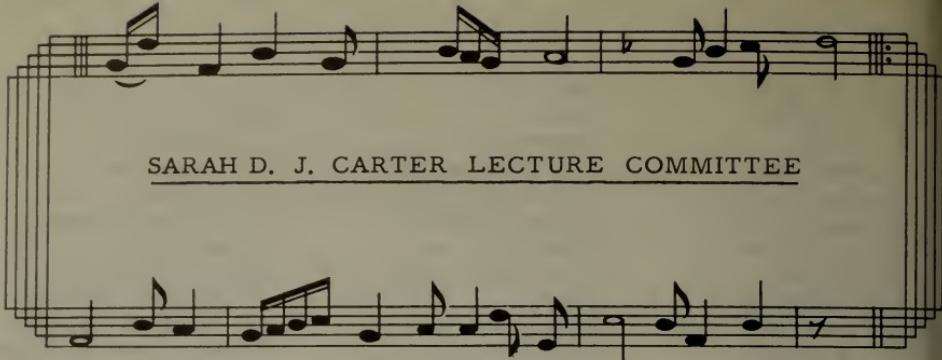
J U R Y L I S T

REVISED - AUGUST 18, 1952

Marion V. Abate	Housewife & Bookkeeper	37 Glen Road
Lillian Ainsworth	Housewife	31 Shawsheen Road
Donald M. Allen	Accountant	443 Middlesex Avenue
Frankline E. Allen	Supervisor	86 Burlington Avenue
Gertrude E. Allgrove	Housewife	281 Woburn Street
Alan Altman	Clerk	77 Church Street
Horace L. Booker	Assistant Treasurer	52 High St 58 High St
Carl A. Backman	Hoisting Engineer	151 Chestnut Street
Adeline E. Bacon	Housewife	114 Andover Street
Wallace E. Barrows	Chief Clerk	23 High Street
Lilyan Marie Blaquiere	Housewife	47 Andover Street
Stanley Cady	Shipper	130 Church Street
DeEtte Carver	Housewife	Middlesex Avenue
Emma B. Cates	At home	57 High Street
Harry Cheifitz	Bakery Owner	30 Salem Street
Carl N. Christiansen	Engineer	48 Andover Street
Raymond C. Cole	Clothing Cutter	24 Beacon Street
Carl F. Connor	Technician	89 Middlesex Avenue
Corydon W. Coombs	Furniture & Rug Salesman	464 Middlesex Avenue
Mervin J. Curl	Life Insurance	141 Andover Street
Joseph John Cunningham	Truck Driver	14 Beacon Street
Esther B. Currier	Homemaker	Boutwell Street
William P. Curtin	Reporter	261 Glen Road
Roland C. Deming	Payroll Clerk	56 Federal Street
Elizabeth J. Doucette	Housewife	64 Ballardvale Street
Wavie M. Drew	At home	224 West Street
Leo W. Dupras	Die Setter	45 Andover Street
Mary L. Durkee	Housewife	35 Clark Street
Walter M. Farello	Section Maintainer	20 Laurel Avenue
Francis M. Farrell	Box Maker	15 Swain Road West
Thomas A. Galvin	Post Office Clerk	278 Chestnut Street
May Hadley	Housewife	64 Boutwell Street
Ethel J. Hardy	House Work	5 State Street
Ella L. Hemeon	Housewife	50 Lowell Street
J. William Jolly, Jr.	Student	26 High Street
Arthur J. Kelley	Electrician	41 Shawsheen Avenue
Helen B. Kelley	Housewife	424 Middlesex Avenue
Albert E. Kitchener	Heat Treater	Aldrich Road
Gladys H. MacLeod	Housewife	8 High Street
Allan D. MacMullin	Machinist	Forest Avenue
Elvira MacPherson	Laundry Worker	Burt Road
Augustus T. Norton, Jr.	Electrical Technician	204 Wildwood Street
Larz Neilson	Editor	47 High Street
Robert E. O'Leary	Printer	42 Swain Road
Ivan E. Palmer	Logger	23 Jones Avenue
Katherine M. Penny	Housewife	57 Clark Street
Ruby H. Pipes	Housewife	Chestnut Street
Helen A. Quigg	Homemaker	22 Belmont Avenue
Geraldine A. Reagan	Checker	Fairview Avenue
Norman Winfred Rice	Electrician	92 Hobson Avenue
John S. Ring	Welder	277 Middlesex Avenue

William H. Russell	Clerk	10 Wildwood Street
Edward J. Shelley	Printer	Atlantic Avenue
Elsa F. Simes	Housewife	1 Lake Street
Joseph James Slater	Insurance Executive	28 Grove Avenue
Robert Smith	Cash Register Service Man	6 State Street
Arthur Francis Starr	Railroad Worker	10 Middlesex Avenue
Beatrice M. Sullivan	Secretary	13 Lake Street
Alice P. Sweetser	Housewife	48 Aldrich Road
Elizabeth S. Tibbets	Clerk	352 Middlesex Avenue
Edwin J. Twomey	Office Manager	127 Burlington Avenue
Samuel J. Tucker	Zone Manager	Middlesex Ave. & North S
Stanley Webber	Purchasing Agent	668 Main Street
Ethel M. Williams	Housewife	84 Andover Street
Lydia G. Wicks	Stitcher	71 Parker Street
Elmer H. Woller	Office Manager	31 Main Street
Marjorie L. Woods	Machine Operator	23 Beacon Street
Howard C. Woolaver	Fire & Inland Marine Underwriter	Woburn Street
Guy L. York	Truck Driver	205 Middlesex Avenue
Edward J. Curtis	Lecture Ass't. in Chemistry	156 Andover Street
Ruth K. Wood	Housewife	36 Columbia Street





SARAH D. J. CARTER LECTURE COMMITTEE

The Sarah D. J. Carter Lecture Committee presented for the entertainment of the people of Wilmington at Villanova Hall on Thursday evening, October 9, the following program:

A Musical Trio:

Eleanor Packard Jackson, Pianist
Eleanor Davis Soprano
Charles Henderson Baritone

Their choice selections were delightful, and the audience was most appreciative of their excellent performance.

Immediately following the musical part of the program, a most interesting and educational illustrated lecture on Prehistoric Indians of the southwest, and present day descendants, was given by Dr. Ernest C. MacDougall.

Everyone who attended was very much interested and enjoyed the whole evening's program. The committee hopes to have another program in the spring.

Treasurer's Report

Receipts:

Balance on Hand - Jan. 1, 1952	4.29
Received from Town Treasurer	146.00
	<u>150.29</u>

Expenditures:

Dr. E.C. MacDougall, Oct. 9, 1952	50.00
Eleanor P. Jackson, Oct. 9, 1952	75.00
Rev. A. Shea - Villanova Hall	21.00
	<u>146.00</u>

Balance on Hand:

4.29

Annual Report

OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF
WILMINGTON, MASS.



TOGETHER WITH THE
REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1952

WILMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Organization

School Committee:

Miss Eleanor F. Grimes, Chairman	Wilmington	1950-1953
Mr. Ernest Crispo	Wilmington	1951-1954
Mr. John Hartnett	N. Wilmington	1951-1954
Mrs. Ruth Gratcyk	Wilmington	1952-1955
Mr. Warren G. Willis, Secretary	Wilmington	1952-1955
Mr. Arthur Lynch, Vice Chairman	Wilmington	1950-1953

Administration

Superintendent of Schools:

Clifford J. Good, 131 Middlesex Ave., Wil. Tel. Wilmington 2345

School Physician:

Ernest C. MacDougall, M. D. Tel. Wilmington 432

School Nurse:

Mrs. Esther H. Nichols, R. N. Tel. Wilmington 744

Attendance Officer:

Mr. Ernest Cail Tel. Wilmington 571

Secretary to Superintendent:

Secretary to Principal of High School:

ROSTER OF SCHOOL EMPLOYEES

Supervisors	Mary Boutilier Evelyn Anderson Alice Plevock Harold McDonell Lawrence Cushing	Supervisor Remedial Reading Supervisor of Drawing Supervisor of Music Band Master Supervisor Physical Education & Coach of High School Girl's	Lowell N. Wilmington S. Boston Methuen Wilmington
Principal Teachers	Bernard McMahon Harold Driscoll Harland Whittredge Anthony DeLuca Robert Barrett Irene Sharp George Webber Laura N. Marland Elene W. Farello Mary Gibbons Marjorie Marshall Margaret Horner Janet Lewis Joseph Baglione Theospina Triantafilou Constantine O'Doherty Emma Mallon	High School Sub Master Social Science & Personnel Commercial & Driver Training Mathematics Commercial Head of Commercial Dept. Head of English Dept. Science Latin, Spanish & French English English Home Economics Manual Training Commercial & Girls Coach Social Science & Coach Boys Opportunity Class	N. Wilmington Lawrence Wilmington Woburn Reading Wilmington Wilmington Andover Wilmington Melrose Reading Lawrence Arlington Wilmington Woburn Saugus Lowell
Principal Teachers	Florence Liston G. Myrtle Mahoney Virginia Erickson Mary P. Mogan Warren Cheever Francis X. Moriarty Joseph Beaton Pauline Durgin Barbara Connors Mary B. Crawford Helen Roth	Junior High School Grade 8 Grade 8 Grade 7 Grade 6 Grade 7 Grade 5 Grade 5 Grade 7 Grade 4	Lowell Lowell Wilmington Lowell Lowell Wilmington Lawrence Woburn Methuen Lowell
Principal Teachers	Rose Kennedy Mary L. Donahue Margaret Maloney Isabelle Burns Irene Rogers Ruth Gunther	Buzzell School - Grade 6 Buzzell School - Grade 6 Buzzell School - Grade 5 Buzzell School - Grade 5 Buzzell School - Grade 5 Buzzell School - Grade 6	Lawrence Lowell Lowell Lowell N. Wilmington N. Wilmington
Principal Teachers	Margaret Clarke Rose O'Keefe Pauline Leiter Carol Brink Sears	Center School - Grade 3 Center School - Grade 1 Center School - Grade 4 Center School - Grade 1	Lawrence Dracut N. Wilmington Woburn
Principal Teachers	Sybil Wiberg Margaret Jordan Gladys Dunigan Mildred Keville	Walker School - Grade 1 Walker School - Grade 3 Walker School - Grade 4 Walker School - Grade 2	Reading Lawrence Lowell Lowell

Principal Teachers	Helen Patten Lena Doucette Catherine McLaughlin Lena Leiter	Whitefield School - Grade 4 Whitefield School - Grade 2 Whitefield School - Grade 3 Whitefield School - Grade 1	Wilmington N. Wilmington Lawrence N. Wilmington
Principal Teachers	Agnes Daley Ruby Fitzsimmons Jean Ricciardelli Molly Mazur Josephine O'Donnell Marydean Snell	Mildred Rogers - Grade 2 Mildred Rogers - Grade 3 Mildred Rogers - Grade 2 Mildred Rogers - Grade 1 Mildred Rogers - Grade 4 Mildred Rogers - Grade 1	Lowell Lowell Melrose Lowell Lowell Winchester
Principal Teacher	Marjorie Ethier Mary Sayer	Maple Meadow - Grade 2 Maple Meadow - Grade 1	N. Wilmington Lowell
Principal & Teacher	Lena Eames	West School - Grades 1 and 2	Wilmington
Janitors	Lester Smith Louis H. Nichols Ernest Cail John Downs Bernard McDonough Wilbur Spanks Eli Coombs	High School Junior High School Buzzell School Maple Meadow School Mildred Rogers & Center Walker & Whitefield West School	Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington
Maintenance Man	Anton Thiel	All Schools	Wilmington



SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1952

January 5 to February 20 - 7 weeks

Vacation One Week

March 2 to April 17 - 7 weeks

Vacation One Week

April 27 to June 17 - Elementary - 8 weeks

SUMMER VACATION

September 9 to December 23 - 16 weeks

Vacation One Week

School Commences January 4, 1954

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

February 22	Good Friday	April 19
May 30	October 12	November 11

No School Signal

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Twenty-two blown three times on fire alarm signal:

At 7.00 - No School	Grades 7 - 12
At 7.15 - No School	Grades 1 - 6

Radio announcements will also be made over:

WLLH - Lowell 1400 on the radio dial
WLAW - Lawrence 680 on the radio dial
WBZ - Boston 980 on the radio dial
WEEI - Boston 590 on the radio dial

From 7.00 to 9.00 A.M.

GRADUATION EXERCISES

WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

1952

Villanova Hall
Wilmington, Mass.

Tuesday Evening - June 10 - 8.00 P. M.

- Program

Processional	High School Band
National Anthem	
Invocation	Rev. Otis A. Maxfield
Salutatory	Jean H. Blanchard
Essay	Patricia A. Blanchard
Solo - "Bless This House"	Taylor & Brahe
	Bettylou Grant
Valedictory	C. Jean Anderson
Music - "Halls of Ivy"	Russell & Knight
"Old Man River"	Kern & Hammerstein
"The Bells of St. Mary's"	Furber and Adams
	Glee Club
Remarks	Clifford J. Good, Supt. of Schools
Presentation of Awards	Bernard P. McMahon, Principal of High School
	Eleanor F. Grimes, Chairman of School Committee
Presentation of Diplomas	
	Rev. Albert J. Shea
Benediction	
Recessional	High School Band

CLASS OF 1952

*Clara Jean Anderson
Shirley M. Anstey
*Janet H. Backman
*Avis B. Balcolm
Bryant M. Bedell
*Arnold Bishop, Jr.
Closson K. Blaisdell
*Jean H. Blanchard
*Patricia B. Blanchard
Dora A. Bourgeois
Beatrice R. Boyd
*Frances T. Brennick
Joan M. Brennick
Donald C. Brewster
Lee A. Bull
*Marion R. Carter
Elaine M. Christofer
Raymond C. Clifford
Everett N. Cole
*Barbara A. Connolly
John D. Cooke
Daniel F. Cosman
Mary M. Crehan
Maryann Curtin
William D. Dalton
Barbara J. Darling
John Joseph Deeley
Cynthia J. Dickinson
Elinor J. Donahue
Weston E. Draper
Albert E. Ethier
William P. Feeney
Jean Fenlon
Dorothy A. Fidler
Donald P. Fleming
Thomas A. Foley
Barbara L. Froton
Edward F. Gilbert
Eleanor Gillis
*Barbara A. Gordon
*Betty Lou Grant
Joseph E. Hakey
Robert E. Hamilton
*Dorothy M. Harnish
Francis S. Hoban
Joan R. Hodgdon
Lois A. Hollien
Elizabeth A. Hourihan
Marlene F. Ivanowski
Fern E. Kelley
Joseph LaCreta
Jean E. LaRivee
Ralph LePore
Cornelius Lewis
Priscilla Lyons
James MacDonald
Margaret L. MacDonald
Thomas R. Mahoney
David S. Manson
James R. Manuel
Margaret McGondel
Jere L. Melzar
Marjorie A. Mills
Louise C. Moriarty
Ruth E. Motschman
Beverly J. Neagle
Priscilla R. Palmer
Patricia A. Pilcher
Janice M. Quandt
Roger W. Quandt
Joanne M. Reid
Pauline M. Richard
Walter Rogers
Shirley R. Smith
Pauline F. Surette
Robert Sutton
Catherine A. Szuch
Lillian R. Temple
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Ronald Ulrickson
Beatrice B. Whalen
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Wilmington:

During the past year there have been many steps of progress in the Wilmington Public Schools, and we are happy to present them to you at this time.

First we would like to express our appreciation to the School Building Committee - Mr. Hayward Bliss, chairman, Mr. Nicholas DeFelice, and Mr. Alan Shepard for their interest in our schools and for the time and effort they have given in arranging for the construction of the new elementary school. The question of housing students is a serious one, and although this school will alleviate present crowded conditions, it is not going to solve our problem completely. It is the opinion of this committee that it will be necessary to have more construction in the near future.

Educationally speaking, we made progress in adopting the Scott-Foresman reading series in the first four grades, giving us a standard reading system in all the schools, thereby making it easier for the youngsters to acclimate themselves when they are brought together in the higher grades. The Reinhart Writing System has been initiated in the first four grades. Both of these programs are working out very satisfactorily.

In the fall the Adult Evening Classes started. The members of the School Committee are the trustees of this program. We appointed the following Advisory Committee of interested citizens: Mr. Thomas Galvin, Mrs. Edward Page and Mrs. Wavie Drew. The response to these classes was very enthusiastic with an enrollment of two hundred and thirty-eight (238). Several classes are now being held in sewing, rug hooking, furniture refinishing, decorative painting, upholstery, and Americanization. We hope to expand this program during the coming year to include academic courses.

There was a question in the minds of the members of the Committee as to who had the authority to award the bus contract, the School Committee or the Town Manager. On an opinion from the Town Counsel, he stated that the authority on the bus contract rests with the School Committee. McIntire Bus Lines Inc. was the only bidder. We felt that if a three-year contract was awarded it would be to our benefit, since bids have been increasing each year. It would also help the bus company by giving them the security of the contract, thereby making it easier for them to purchase new equipment. In September the starting time for classes in the High School and Junior High School was changed so the bus trips could be arranged

to transport first the students of these schools and then the elementary school students, making it possible to eliminate one bus. By doing this, the town will have saved about \$8100.00 by June 1953.

After checking the legality of the move with the Department of Education and the Town Counsel, and receiving their approval, it was decided to remove the Janitors' Salaries, Maintenance Man's Salary, Fuel, Accounts for the Maintenance of the School Plant, and Insurance Accounts from our budget, since the responsibility of these accounts was given to the Town Manager in the Town Manager Charter, and the authority of the expenditure of these funds rests with him. Although these accounts have been removed from our 1953 Budget and will be voted on separately at the Town Meeting, we will still receive state-aid for them.

During this year we lost the services of two of our more experienced teachers by retirement. They are Mrs. Olive Oman, who taught the third grade at the Walker School, and Miss Lena Doucette, who taught the second grade at the Whitfield School. Both of these teachers devoted many years to teaching the children of Wilmington, and we wish them happiness in their retirement. Other changes in personnel include resignations from the following: Miss Ruth Berube as music supervisor; Miss Mary M. Daily as foreign language teacher in the High School; Mr. Alan R. Harris as English teacher in the High School; Miss Helen Kelley as Home Economics teacher; Mr. Albert Hoag as Manual Training teacher; Miss Christine Mulcahy as Commercial teacher and girls' coach in the High School; Miss Rosemary Drohan as elementary school teacher; and Miss Barbara Duffy as elementary school teacher. Some of these teachers left to accept better positions in other school systems.

The new appointments were as follows: Mr. Ralph Ambrose, who returned after two years active duty, to teacher of social studies and assistant guidance director in the High School; Miss Alice M. Plevock to music supervisor; Miss Mary Gibbons to foreign language teacher; Miss Majorie Marshall to English teacher; Miss Janet Lewis to Home Economics teacher; Mr. Joseph Baglione to Manual Training teacher; Miss Thespina Triantafalou to Commerical teacher and girls' coach; and Miss Barbara Connors, Mrs. Ruth Gunther, Mrs. Carol Brink, Mrs. James Jordan, Mrs. Mary Scully, and Miss Jean Ricciardelli to elementary teaching positions.

The athletic program has been reorganized, and the duties of the coaches have been reassigned. Football and baseball have been extended to the seventh and eighth grades, where the coach follows the same systems used in the High School. A faculty manager of

of athletics has been appointed who will, among other duties, relieve the coach of the time and responsibility of distributing equipment, so he can devote full time to coaching. We feel that this plan will improve our program. The athletic program is extremely important in developing character and a sense of fair play in a youngster as well as helping to develop the student physically, and we would like to have as sound a program as possible.

During this year we adopted a Salary Schedule to cover the salaries of the teachers and the school nurse to be effective Sept. 1, 1951. The purposes of adopting this schedule are to attract capable teachers to give stability to the present teaching staff, and to enable teachers to maintain adequate living and cultural standards consistent with those of other workers. Stipulated in this schedule is the requirement that, in order for a teacher to receive the regular step-rate increases, six semester hours of credit approved by the superintendent of schools must be completed by the teacher every three years. There is a differential of \$200 for a teacher with a master's degree. The maximum salary is reached in the twelfth year. The reason for this is to promote professional growth and to encourage the teachers to keep abreast with the modern methods of teaching. This schedule met with the approval of both the School Committee and the Teacher Club. We are grateful to the teachers for their understanding in working with us for the common good in this matter. We hope to be able to make improvements on this in the future.

In closing we would like to express our gratitude to the many local organizations who have assisted the Wilmington Schools in any way. We wish to compliment Mr. C. Good, after his first full year as superintendent of schools, for his enthusiasm and devotion to his work and commend him for the very fine job that he is doing. We also want to thank the principals, supervisors, teachers and other school personnel for their support and cooperation, and pray that with God's help our schools will show continued progress in the future.

Respectfully,

Eleanor F. Grimes, Chairwoman
Arthur V. Lynch, Vice-Chairman
Warren G. Willis, Secretary
Ruth M. Gratcyk
Ernest M. Crispo
John F. Hartnett

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Written annual reports are at best a condensed version of all that takes place within a fiscal school year, and the conclusions drawn from the many thousands of details present a mere general view of the work involved. No amount of writing could cover the entire field of the educational process, and an annual report must, of necessity, present the general development of the more prominent phases.

Public Schools and The New Town Charter

The now "not so new" Town Charter (Chapter 592 of the General Laws), voted by the people of Wilmington, might well be considered at this point. Such consideration is not to be construed as adverse criticism - it is merely an attempt to explain its relationship to the public schools, and the changes in the public school budget and policies as a result of this Act.

Section 12, paragraph F of the present Town Charter reads as follows:

"The town manager shall have jurisdiction over the rental and use of all town property, except schools. He shall be responsible for the maintenance and repair of all town property, including school buildings and grounds. Except as otherwise voted by the town, he shall be responsible for the preparation of plans and supervision of work on all construction, reconstruction, alterations, improvements and other undertakings authorized by the town, subject, however, to the approval of the school committee with respect to plans for the construction or improvement of school buildings or property."

It is obvious from the above quotation and generally considered to be so by the School Committee, Town Manager and Town Counsel, that the Town Manager has full charge of the maintenance and repair of all the Public Schools of Wilmington. The approval of ordinary repair work by the School Committee is implied, but the Charter apparently does not give absolute authority to the School Committee. The maintenance of the Public Schools, which includes janitors' duties and salaries, heating of school buildings, janitors' supplies, insurance, etc., is entirely in the hands of the Town Manager.

The only authority given to the School Committee under paragraph F seems to be in regard to any new construction, reconstruction and major alterations with regard to the Public Schools. Even in this regard, many doubts have arisen during the many conferences

of the School Committee, Town Manager and the Town Counsel. The absolute legal intent of paragraph F is decidedly vague in many respects. In my judgment, the only reason that paragraph F has worked at all is due to the spirit of cooperation on the part of all the parties involved.

Since paragraph F seems to be quite exact with regard to maintenance and repair of the Public Schools, a new change has been made in the school budget for the fiscal year, 1953. All expenditures for janitors' salaries, janitors' supplies, insurance, fuel, maintenance man's salary, repairs etc., of all school buildings have been taken out of the formal school budget. These amounts, although now incorporated in the Town Manager's budget, will be taken into consideration when figuring per-pupil costs for the school year. If the above amounts remained in the school budget, the Superintendent and the School Committee would be saddled with the responsibility of the accounts, but with no authority to make expenditures therefrom. The contradiction involved is quite obvious, and the current change seems to be a definite necessity.

As I have stated, paragraph F is not clear, and I do not like involved or vague responsibilities. I would not ordinarily approve such amounts being taken out of a school budget, but there seems to be no alternative in this case, if we are to be fair with the seeming intent of the Charter. It has always been my firm belief that all school matters should lie within the jurisdiction of the Superintendent and School Committee. I still adhere to that belief, since all school matters are close to the Superintendent and the School Committee, and consequently receive their undivided attention. There is no criticism even implied here as to the personal efforts of the Town Mgr. in this respect. He has cooperated as best he can, and all who are involved are disturbed by the vagueness of the Charter in regard to the schools.

Separate School Tax and School Budget

Chapter 578 of the Acts of 1952, requires that: "On every tax bill or notice, if the tax is other than a poll tax, there shall be printed in a conspicuous place the SCHOOL tax rate, the GENERAL tax rate, and the TOTAL RATE of the Town as determined by the assessors."

In effect, the above means that the taxpayers of every community within the Commonwealth will now know the exact amount of each tax dollar that goes to the support of the public schools.

The law further states: "In determining the school assessment,

and school tax rate, the assessors shall deduct from total school appropriations the estimated amount of the school income...etc." The above will now bring out a point of information not generally considered previously. The gross school budget for the fiscal year 1952 was \$282,208.00. This gross amount, however, does not represent the actual sum of money to be raised by taxation, for the support of schools. The net amount for support of schools or \$183,994.43, more nearly represents the amount to be raised by taxation.

This net amount is actually the gross school budget \$282,208. less the amount of school income as reimbursements, \$98,213.57. The reimbursement amount of \$98,213.57 for 1952, although not specifically earmarked for schools, cannot be given to the Town without proper certification from the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee. In other words, the \$98,213.57 represents a sum of money due to the Town based upon the number of children in school between the ages of seven and sixteen, the equalized valuation and other factors.

The Separate School Tax Law will therefore give a much clearer picture of the net costs of the schools to the Town.

Wilmington is extremely fortunate in the amounts of reimbursements received annually based on educational statistics, and equalized valuation. These State Aid amounts for Wilmington are much higher than for many other cities and towns of the Commonwealth. When and if, however, the equalized valuation is raised, Wilmington must expect to receive less.

The per-pupil costs for Wilmington for the school year ending June 30, 1952, was \$149.50. This is one of the lower per-pupil costs in the State. No doubt this figure will rise considerably in the next few years, and every effort will be made to make the rise gradual, considering the school construction costs to be faced also.

For the fiscal year 1953, it is now estimated that the school costs, exclusive of maintenance of the school plant, will increase some \$49,173.97. The number of children to be cared for during the Fiscal year will be somewhere in the vicinity of 1868. This represents an increase of about one hundred and forty-two (142) additional pupils over the figure for the Fiscal year 1952. Estimating the cost per-pupil at \$149.50, the automatic increase in costs immediately becomes \$21,299.00. Moreover, the costs of opening the new elementary school (additional salaries, text books, supplies, etc.) will reach a figure of nearly \$15,000.00. In addition to the

above, increased transportation costs, adult evening classes, and the possibility of a temporary two platoon system make up the balance of the total increase of school costs.

Enrollment

The predictions made on enrollment figures last year were slightly conservative. Extremely accurate predictions cannot be made based solely upon the count given in the annual school census. For example, 1750 students were expected to be enrolled in Sept. 1952, but the total for October 1, 1952, was 1802. This difference is accounted for by the fact that 52 children moved into Wilmington during the summer months.

To give some idea as to the changes in the student enrollment or population for the past few years, the following is a summary:

Student enrollment - October 1, 1949.....	1493
" "	1950.....1575
" "	1951.....1676
" "	1952.....1802

Between October 1, 1949 and October 1, 1952, a total of 309 students have been added to the schools of Wilmington.

The estimated student enrollment for September 1, 1953, will be a minimum of 1970 pupils, and by October 1, 1953, a figure approximating 2000 pupils. Therefore, in a period of time representing not much more than four years, the student population of Wilmington will increase by the amount of 507 children.

The figures themselves, though staggering, are no less staggering than what they actually imply. The implications as regards administration, financing, proper housing, etc., give us much to think about for the future. Certainly the duties of the Superintendent and the School Committee will be increased many times, and the amount of work involved will be tremendous.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the townspeople of Wilmington in meeting this problem of increased student enrollment. A portion of the new high school has already been built and funds for a new fourteen room elementary school have been provided.

I would also like to pay tribute, at this time, to the members of the new School Building Committee: Mr. E. Hayward Bliss, chairman, Mr. Allan D. Shepherd, and Mr. Nicholas DeFelice.

These men have worked tirelessly in an effort to provide new elementary facilities as soon as possible, and with an eye to getting the very best for the amount of money involved.

The architect chosen is Mr. Thomas Hixon and Associates, of Boston. The new elementary school to be situated on Wildwood Street will consist of fourteen classrooms, a library, health suite, principal's office, teachers' room, and an all-purpose room to be used as a cafeteria, auditorium and physical education area. It is expected that 436 pupils will be housed in this building when it is opened. It is also expected that the building will be ready for occupancy in December, 1953. Therefore, a two platoon system will be necessary in September, 1953, until the new elementary school is opened, unless rental space for additional classrooms may be found in the meantime. Every effort will be made to rent halls, or other available space, rather than have the children subjected to a two platoon system.

Even further planning for proper school housing will be necessary in the very near future. I repeat what I said last year that an addition to the present high school structure by September, 1955, will be unavoidable.

The situation, as far as increasing student enrollment is concerned, is out of control, and the picture for the future certainly poses a financial problem. Planning must continue wisely, and every effort must be made to forge ahead in an extremely careful and constructive manner.

All that was humanly possible was done this year for the proper housing of pupils. Two additional rooms were made available this year. The band room in the old high school was converted into a new classroom, and a new first grade was located in the Center School by transferring the Boys Opportunity class to the high school. There is no other available space for classrooms.

The new elementary school will be a decided boon to educational needs, and will relieve the present situation tremendously.

Whether any additional school housing be humanly or financially possible later remains to be seen, but the problem should at least be considered for future reference.

The Rinehart System of Handwriting has been used now in the elementary grades for one year. This system was put into practice in Grades I - IV in January, 1952, until June, 1952. The system was extended to include Grade V in September, 1952, and will be practiced in Grades I - V through June, 1952. It is also planned to extend this service to include Grade VI in Sept. 1953. The slant, or manuscript form of writing, will still be taught in grades one and two, and cursive writing will be taught in grades 3, 4 and 5. The children and teachers have enjoyed the new handwriting system, and more than unusual progress has been made in a relatively short period of time. The importance of good handwriting and habits of neatness need not be stressed here. Children are now taking a more personal interest and pride in their daily papers, and are simultaneously acquiring a handwriting skill that will benefit them greatly in the years to come. We are also very fortunate in having several teachers in the school system who have taught the Rinehart System in the past. This, too, has contributed considerably to the success of the program.

The teachers and principals in grades one to four have chosen the new basal reading system. The system approved and adopted by the teaching personnel, principals, Remedial Reading Supervisor, and Superintendent is the Curriculum Foundation Series, published by Scott-Foresman Company. This new basal reading program is so arranged as to take care of pre-school reading needs and is adaptable to a multiple-level instructional program. Basal readers are now completely standardized in grades 1 - 4 inclusive so that all children are now experiencing the same approach to reading at all of these levels. More than that, the same methods are being used by all teaching personnel throughout these grade levels, and a decided effort is being made to cope with specific problems. Simultaneously, phonics drills are being stressed with greater emphasis at all levels, and it is expected that vocabulary development and speed of comprehension will improve considerably. With such uniformity of procedure, and employing a reading system that is flexible enough to satisfy individual needs, the picture for the future appears much brighter than ever before. The only poor feature is still the overcrowded classroom which makes the attempt to progress just a little more difficult.

A new mathematics series, "Numbers at Work", Iroquois Publishing Co., has been introduced in grades 3 and 4. As with the reading program, it is hoped to extend this series to grades 5 and 6 next year, and thus attempt to obtain greater results with the same uniformity of approach and methodology. The mathematics series will be applied to the proper grade levels in all

schools so that each grade level in each school will be striving, in effect, to reach the same objectives.

The Tressler, "English in Action", series for English grammar and composition, has been introduced in the 7th and 8th grades. It is also hoped that new English literature series may be introduced at these grade levels next year.

The same homogeneous grouping plan is being followed in grades 5 and 6 in order to reach individual problems more effectively. Such grouping is not intended to imply superiority or inferiority in any way, but is solely designed to improve specific group abilities and progress.

Science has been introduced at the 8th grade level for the first time. The Text adopted for use is, "Our Environment and It's Relation to Us", Allyn & Bacon, and the educational results experienced thus far have been more than gratifying. A portable laboratory has been purchased so that all students may experience practical demonstrations of the theory involved. Science is a must in the curriculum today, and it is planned to introduce it to the 7th grades next year.

A uniform program of all recesses and noon hours has been set up for all elementary schools as far as practicable. Supervision of all areas throughout the entire school day is rigidly adhered to.

New textbooks will have to be purchased for the next few years in amounts conducive to sound financial planning. The costs of textbooks today are rather high and all that can be expected is to meet the needs where they are greatest from year to year.

High School

The high school enrollment still continues to increase. The highest enrollment tabulated since September was 401, but the average enrollment to date approximates 388. Taking into consideration the average enrollment in grades 1 - 8 today, we should expect that the enrollment for the high school should reach a figure of 837 by the year 1960. When this present building was designed, it was estimated then that the maximum number of students that could be housed and cared for would be 475. If the "drop-out" rate remains the same as in the past few years, there should be approximately 500 students by September, 1955. This figure was also

arrived at by the present School Building Committee, and the townspeople were so notified. In my estimation, the high school structure planned for the future will never house grades 7 - 12. Wilmington, because of the phenomenal growth of student population, will undoubtedly have to remain an 8 - 4 system. That is, the high school will be adequate for grades 9 - 12 only, when it is completely finished.

The marking system in the high school has been changed to some extent, and more changes are contemplated for the future. Two years of English may no longer be taken in any one year, and a student must pass four years of English to be graduated. If a failure in English is experienced, the student must either go to summer school or become a five year student. The more recent privilege of allowing a student to take two years of English in one year, because of previous English failure was a contradiction in itself. More than that it encourages laxity on the part of the student and jeopardized the class "A" rating held by the school.

Courses of study are being worked on at the present time, and it is expected that most of the money earmarked for high school texts this year will be used to overhaul completely all English books and supplementary material. The Commercial Department is conducting a survey which is expected to make a substantial contribution to changes now being contemplated. Some changes and some additions have been made to the present curricula, and it is expected that more will be made in the future. Typewriting has been designated as a college course elective, as well as trigonometry and solid geometry. The Commercial Course now offers a major study to all, either in secretarial training or bookkeeping, as well as training in office practice procedure. In the General and Practical Arts Courses, subjects which were found to be extremely overlapping were either eliminated for a more appropriate subject, or were so arranged that a student could not, in effect, elect the same content matter twice.

The Cafeteria is still being operated on a very efficient basis, and much credit is due Mr. McMahon, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Bousfield, Mrs. Flight, Mrs. DeLisle, Mrs. Welling and the principals and teachers of the other buildings who use these facilities. The cafeteria is run at an annual cost of less than \$500.00 to the Town each year. Considering the service rendered, it is amazing that so much can be done in this area at such a slight fee.

School attendance at the high school has increased considerably this year. Unwarranted absenteeism cannot be condoned by school

officials. A good record of attendance is as important as anything else in obtaining future work, and regular attendance is a prime requisite for the successful completion of the academic work involved.

The Student Council, under the direction of Miss Farello, is to be congratulated for its fine record of performance in the past year. Much has been done by this group to put into practice the great principles of democratic living. The fine example given by the Student Council to all students will prove to be most valuable in the years to come.

The Guidance Department, under the direction of Mr. Whittredge, has extended its services to more pupils this year than ever before. Mr. Ralph Ambrose returned this year after two years with the military, and he was immediately assigned to assist Mr. Whittredge in developing a more comprehensive guidance program. It is expected that a Career Day will be held again this year, and even more released time will be sought for guidance personnel for the next year. Cumulative record cards are now being printed for all students in grades 1 - 12. This will be a guidance function in which a student's progress will be more carefully noted and analyzed from year to year, and for five years after graduation from high school.

Many of the above changes will be developed in the future, and more changes are contemplated very soon.

Supervisory Functions

Our supervisors continue to improve their present programs, and are presently engaged in making whatever changes are deemed necessary for future expansion. It is not my intention to repeat here what they have already included in their annual reports. In the not too distant future, however, assistance will have to be given to these supervisors in some way or another. This does not necessarily mean additional personnel, but rather a choice of needed personnel with specialization in the areas of art, music, physical education and reading.

Under school health we are now confronted with a new law enacted on July 9, 1952. The Law, which is Chapter 71, Section 57, as amended, places an almost impossible burden on health officials and all towns and cities within the Commonwealth. The act itself went into effect on September 1, 1952, and what has been interpreted as the "intent" of the law will, in my opinion, take some time

to comply with. My recommendation is to move slowly but surely in this case, so that present policies of school health will not be involved in unnecessary red tape, and so that we may not expose the taxpayer to phenomenal increased costs.

Adult Evening Vocational School

For the first time in the history of the Wilmington Public Schools adult evening classes were started in October, 1952, on recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and with the approval of the School Committee.

Thirteen classes are held each week in seven different subject areas, and approximately 240 people are now enrolled. Classes meet on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings in the following subjects: Beginners Dressmaking, Advanced Dressmaking, Rug Hooking, Decorated Ware, Upholstering, Furniture Refinishing and Americanization or Citizenship.

The salary costs to the Town will be reimbursed 100% for the first year by Federal and State grants: 75% for the second year, and never less than 50% thereafter. Light and fuel costs will be subsidized by the Commonwealth to the extent of 50% each year. The enrollment fee to the townspeople is just \$1.00 for a twenty-week course, and the instruction is the best to be procured, and approved by the State Department of Education. It is hoped to expand this service to the public in another year by adding adult courses in such subjects as English, mathematics, stenography and typing.

The cost of such adult evening classes is extremely small when one considers the advantages offered, and the actual financial aid given in support by Federal and State funds. Mr. H. Whittredge is the coordinator of the adult evening classes and may be contacted at the high school for any information in this regard.

Repairs

Considerable repair work was accomplished in many of the schools this past year. Much of the work consisted of painting classrooms and corridors of the various schools, replacing chalkboards, overhauling furnaces, sanding desks and floors and replacing or repairing obsolete or worn out equipment and furnishings. Three major improvements consisted of the complete renovation of the Walker first grade, the installation of new toilet

facilities at the old high school, and re-pointing and caulking of the entire exterior of the old high school.

For the coming year much will still have to be done to keep our school buildings in operative condition. A detailed list of all repairs deemed necessary by school officials has been put into the hands of the Town Manager for his consideration. Among some of the necessary repairs recommended for 1953 are: completion of the boys' toilet in the old high school, renovation of the girls' toilet in the old high school, new heating system for the old high school, painting exteriors of the Buzzell, Mildred Rogers, West, Walker and Whitefield Schools, and many other items considered necessary for the safety and health of the children.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Town Manager for his cooperation, and to mention once again the loyalty and devotion to duty displayed by the maintenance man and custodians.

Conclusion

Once again may I take this opportunity to express to the members of the School Committee my sincere appreciation for their constructive thoughts, suggestions and actions during the course of the past year. School Committee members, in my estimation, portray as fine an example of civic pride and duty as any I can think of. Working entirely without compensation in the financial sense, the only reward any School Committee member may expect is the satisfaction of a job well done. The privileges and powers of a School Committee are notoriously better known than the duties and responsibilities that go along with them. Considering the scope of the task involved, and the personal welfare and growth of the many children to be cared for, it is no wonder at all that the General Laws of the Commonwealth have provided School Committees with such legal rights for many years. In effect, the people themselves, voicing their wishes through the General Laws, have spoken in behalf of their childrens' future.

May I also pay tribute at this time to the supervisors, principals, and teachers who have worked so hard this past year. No amount of writing on my part could adequately describe the spirit of cooperation displayed in their daily assignments. If educational programs are to be successful, it is the teaching personnel who will make them successful in the final analysis. The continued loyalty and assistance still being rendered to the schools by the P. T. A., Mothers' Clubs and all other local groups and organizations are still an invaluable aid in carrying on the daily educational work.

PRINCIPAL OF WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

It is with deep satisfaction and pleasure that I submit my report as High School Principal for the past year. There has been marked improvement all along the line which augurs well for the future. A few changes in the school have been made, which have benefited all concerned. We shall go into detail on these changes throughout the report.

The following changes in personnel took place this year:

Resigned:

Mr. Allen R. Harris
Miss Christine Mulcahy
Miss Mary Daily
Miss Helen Kelley
Mr. Albert Hoag

Replacements:

Miss Marjorie Marshall
Miss Thespina Triantafilou
Miss Mary Gibbons
Miss Janet Lewis
Mr. Joseph Baglione

We were very pleased to welcome Mr. Ralph Ambrose back after a two year tour of duty with the United States Army.

Our highest enrollment since September was four hundred and one (401). At the current writing, we have three hundred and eighty eight (388) pupils enrolled. It is possible to get through the next school year with existing facilities. However, the school year of 1954-1955 is questionable. There will be a definite need for the second classroom unit on the High School by September 1955, since the enrollment will be over five hundred (500). It will remain in the five hundred (500) bracket in 1956, then jump to six hundred and twenty-seven (627) in 1957, and six hundred and sixty-eight (668) in 1958. 1959 will find seven hundred and forty-five (745) and in 1960 there will be eight hundred and thirty-seven (837). These figures are based on current enrollments from Grades 8 down to Grade 1 in four year groups. Being statistical figures, they will not be exact, but are sufficiently reliable to indicate the trend of Wilmington High School for the next eight years.

The attendance for the first four months of this year has increased 1.4% over the same period for last year. This may seem insignificant, but actually it means 371 less absences than a year ago. We cannot stress good attendance too strongly because it may well mean the success or failure of our graduates in the future, since industry is definitely concerned with absenteeism. At present there are eight companies who insist on a detailed report of the applicant's four year period of attendance while in High School. To my knowledge, two former graduates lost excellent opportunities for employment solely because of a poor High School attendance record. Since September we have had a large number of requests

for dismissal for medical, dental and other appointments. We are fully cognizant of the fact that such appointments are necessary for students, but we wish the parents would insist on the hour being made some time after school, Saturdays or during vacation periods.

During the past year we had two committees organized; one for the program of studies, the other for the marking system. The following recommendations were made for the curriculum and adopted in September:

College Course:

Mechanical Drawing	Grade 9
Typewriting	Grades 11 and 12*
Trigonometry and	
Solid Geometry	Grade 12*

General Course:

Consumer Education replaced	
Consumer Science	Grade 11
Clerical Practice	Grade 12*

Commercial Course:

Business Training	Grade 9 (instead of Gr. 10)
Business Arithmetic	Grade 10 (starting Sept. 1953)

Seniors majoring in Secretarial Training take Stenography II, while those majoring in Bookkeeping take Bookkeeping II.

Practical Arts Course:

Business Training and	
Typewriting	Grade 10
Civics (Replacing Cons. Sc.)	Grade 11
Consumer Education	Grade 12

*Elective

Otherwise the courses remain the same as in past years.

In conjunction with the changes in curriculum, Mr. DeLuca of the Commercial Department is conducting a curriculum survey. He has mailed a total of three hundred and thirty-three (333) letters to graduates of the past five years in an attempt to ascertain the strength and weakness of the High School curriculum. To date, the reply is about 65% complete. A follow-up letter has been sent to the remaining 35%, and we earnestly hope that they will honestly answer the questions in the letters and return them promptly. This

will enable us to better the program for high school students of the future, and your cooperation in this matter will be gratefully received.

A new report card was proposed by the Committee on the marking system. This report card was adopted and issued at the start of the current year. It goes out at the close of every two months during the school year, as in the past. However, it has replaced the deficiency slip of the past and may be issued at the odd months indicating a pupil's failure in one or more subjects. All marks are cumulative, that is, the mark portrays the pupil's progress at the date of record, not each two months period as formerly. English, as well as a minimum of other subjects, must be passed each year in order for a pupil to earn promotion. The system of any three major subjects being passed for promotion no longer holds. Good marks and scholastic success are achieved by well established habits of study. Parents are cautioned to see that their children carry home books and study them daily. The school provides some time for study, but the time is not sufficient to complete satisfactorily the assignments issued. The teachers, guidance department and I welcome you, the parents, to consult us any afternoon regarding your children's progress and future plans.

The library, at the present writing, has just under two thousand and one hundred (2,100) books of all description, including four sets of Encyclopedias. Approximately two hundred and fifty (250) pupils are assigned to the library daily. This being inadequate, we are revising the schedule to enable every student to have some time in the library in the future.

Our Driver Education program was extended this year to include members of the Junior Class. We hope to extend this program so that it will reach all students sixteen years of age and older. The scheduling of this course has been disadvantageous to some, as it is offered in only two classroom periods throughout the year. If the student has some subject in both those periods, he loses the opportunity of having this course. However, a schedule has been devised that will enable us to take care of more students in the second half of this year.

This year we included a half-hour period per day for activities. This period is devoted mainly to all extra-curricular activities, except athletics. The principal points of the program at the present being class meetings, music and student council. We expect to form a dramatic club by next September. Speaking of the Student Council, it is a body of eighteen students, who have done much to promote

student interest within and outside the school. Major points of the past year were the student town meeting sponsored in conjunction with Good Government Day, and the publication of the "Blue Beacon", a guide book for the students of Wilmington High School. The Student Council is under the guidance of Miss Elene Farello and is a sound means for the student to learn democratic living by actual participation. The assistance of the Student Council in fostering worthwhile activities for the student body has been highly valuable in school morale.

Looking to the future, we plan to standardize the English texts in order to establish more uniformity in the English classes. The various department heads will organize to bring the courses of study within their departments up to date.

In conclusion, I want to thank you, Mr. C. Good, and the School Committee for your continuous support and cooperation; to the faculty for their loyalty and assistance; to the parents, the student body and all who have helped make this past year so satisfying. When one has the faith of his superiors, the loyalty of his fellow-workers and the trust of his charges, his work and effort can only be pleasant and gratifying.

DIRECTOR OF GUIDANCE

It is a privilege to present my second annual report as Director of Guidance in the Wilmington public schools. The past year has been one of progress in the various activities of the Guidance Dept.

TESTING:

The basic Boston University Testing Program is still being carried on. We have set up a more comprehensive testing program to include both freshmen and upper classmen. At the present time the following tests are administered to freshmen:

Kuder Preference Record
Terman McNemar Test of Mental Ability
Otis Test of Mental Ability
California Achievement Test Battery

Upper classmen are retested in the same areas and are also rated on personality traits, attitudes and appearance. The testing program is designed to provide more accurate information about each pupil to himself, his parents, and his teachers.

COUNSELING:

Personal counseling is an important phase in any guidance program. It is through the counseling session that we gain the greatest value from and find the greatest use for the tests and records which have been accumulated on each student. The high school Guidance Department attempts to interview every incoming freshman and every member of the junior class. In addition, numerous interviews are held with students who have some particular problem which they wish to discuss. The counseling program is hardly adequate at present because of the lack of time which may be devoted to this function.

OCCUPATIONAL INFORMATION:

As eighty-five percent (85%) of our graduates go directly from high school into gainful employment, a very important phase of the local guidance program is that of furnishing the students with accurate and up-to-date information on various occupations. To accomplish this we use several devices.

Our second annual Career Day will be held April 15, 1953, and will closely follow the pattern of our first annual Career Day when forty-five (45) people from business and educational institutions led small group discussions on a wide variety of occupational fields. In the meantime a continuing program of informative speakers, movies and field trips is being carried on. Individual members of the high school faculty are actively engaged in acquainting the students with various fields of gainful employment, and it is their active, intelligent interest and participation in this program that has brought it to its present state of effectiveness.

Our occupational information library of approximately eight hundred (800) books and pamphlets is being constantly revised and brought up to date in order that it will continue to be a valuable source of occupational information for the student body.

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

It has been a matter of deep concern to the Guidance Department and faculty of the high school that in recent years so few students have applied for scholarships. This past year we have attempted, through school assemblies, poster displays, P. T. A. meetings and the columns of the Crusader to arouse a greater interest in scholarships. In addition, each student was given a four-page mimeographed pamphlet which contains a list of forty-five (45) freshman scholarships to New England Colleges, notice of several local scholarships and information as to where additional information on scholarships might be obtained. That we have had some success in arousing interest in scholarships is shown by the fact that scholarship applications have

increased greatly over previous years. As a source of information for the student interested in college, a file of several hundred college catalogues is maintained in the guidance office. Supplementary materials on college requirements, etc., are available in each classroom.

PLACEMENT SERVICE:

During the past year the Wilmington High School Placement Service maintained its active role in the Guidance Program. Over one hundred and thirty-five (135) part-time placements were made, and through the efforts of the placement service, a large majority of the graduating class found employment.

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES:

A Move-up Day was held for the first time this year. Members of the entering freshman class came over from the Junior High School to spend a day going through their future high school programs. They were given brief classes in each subject, were presented with a copy of the student handbook (*The Blue Beacon*) and were welcomed by the Student Council; all of which made the transition from Junior to Senior high school less difficult.

A group conference and discussion was held at the Junior High School in the Spring at which time Mr. McMahon and Mr. Whittredge explained to the incoming freshmen the various high school courses and requirements. Each eighth-grader was also given a program card upon which to record his choice of high school subjects. This choice was reviewed by the child's parent, his homeroom teacher and the high school Guidance Department. In some cases further conferences and additional information given to the students and their parents resulted in a wiser choice of courses on the part of the student. This choice-of-subject program was also introduced into the high school.

A new guidance service was subscribed to by the Superintendent of Schools. This provides a monthly poster for bulletin board display and booklets for students, parents, and teachers to read, all of which are concerned with some topic of importance to students. Some of the more recent topics have been, "The Draft", "How to Get Along with Others", "Knowing Yourself", and other topics of similar nature.

A follow-up study is being conducted by Mr. Anthony DeLuca, from which the Guidance Department expects to gain many valuable suggestions as to how the services of the Guidance Department may be made of more value to the individual student.

After considering many different cumulative record cards in use throughout the United States, a new cumulative record card for the Wilmington schools was chosen and is in the process of being installed throughout the system. It is believed that this new card will give a clearer and more valid picture of each individual student and will enable the Guidance Department to function at a more effective level. Every member of the faculty will also benefit from the information contained on these cards.

We are happy to welcome back Mr. Ralph T. Ambrose who was assigned to the Guidance Department forty-five minutes per day. His thorough knowledge of student psychology and guidance practices, understanding and sympathetic personality combines to make him an unusually effective student counselor. At the present time the guidance functions are carried on by two teachers, one assigned for 90 minutes per day and one assigned for 45 minutes per day. If additional time is allotted to guidance functions it is planned to extend the testing services to the elementary grades during next year. We also hope to increase the occupational and additional information available to the elementary student. The Guidance Department is daily becoming a more essential part of every educational activity. As our school curriculum is enlarged, the need for careful selection becomes more important. As the adult society becomes more complex, the need for information about that society becomes more acute. As teachers attempt to individualize instruction, they need more and more information about pupils. As we encourage students to become more self-directive, the need for information about themselves becomes more evident.

SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SAFETY

It is with extreme pleasure that I am submitting this annual report on Physical Education in the Wilmington Schools. In previous reports I have outlined the needs, objectives, and long range plans for a well-organized program that would contribute to the optimum development of our children physically, socially and mentally. I, therefore, will condense this subject for obvious reasons.

Physical Education

Our primary grade children are receiving a planned program that fits well into the regular school curriculum and is now equal to any suggested or accepted programs in schools of similar size and financial backing. Out-of-school recreation facilities are the only drawback as of this date. This means that our school play

areas could stand some improvement such as better surfaces and increased facilities.

The Intermediate grades through the use of the Common and the Junior High School gym, when available, are getting a well-rounded program both indoor and outdoor. To make this level complete we may look forward to an increased time allotment in the schedule.

Our Junior High activities are still crowded, and although we offer the student a broad program, we are also looking forward to working with smaller classes so that more individual attention may be available for students who need it.

Summing up all the grades, I am sure the parents are aware of the increase in attention to our program by the students as shown during our Field Day. Representation from several other schools and one of our larger colleges at the annual May Day exercises spoke well for our students and our program. They left with the intent of establishing a similar program in their own individual schools.

As originally promised, we fielded our first Girls' Field Hockey team this year after a lapse of many years in a similar sport. In addition we have received an offer from a nearby golf course for the free use of their grounds; and, through the advice and assistance of the Wilmington Rotary Club, we may be able to realize golf for high school students as soon as time permits. This is a sport with tremendous carry-over value for girls and boys regardless of size.

I am sure the students are well pleased with the addition of Miss Thespian Triantifilou as girls' coach in varsity sports. She is a graduate of Salem Teachers College and fills the vacancy caused by Miss Mulcahey's resignation.

Safety Education

We are carrying on as usual with instruction in safer School Living, Safety Education, and School Patrol Lines. Outstanding contributions to the program would include the interest shown by the P. T. A. and their willingness to endorse a Safety Program that will include awards and rewards; thereby, stimulating interest in the School Patrol and motivating our children to do a better job. Plans are also being made to organize a Bicycle Club in the fifth and sixth grades.

One of our greatest hazards has been eliminated in front of the High School by acquiring the services of a policeman at that crossing during noon time. We have close to six hundred pedestrians using this crosswalk to and from the cafeteria.

In order to improve our bus transportation system, we have been in contact with the Town Manager and have submitted a letter that would include suggested snow-removal areas along the bus route insuring safer travel. In addition it is our hope that through the Town Manager we shall be able to improve the playing surfaces and areas in all the school yards, possibly on a yearly improvement plan.

For the High School students, Mr. DeLuca offers a fine program in Driver Education, with behind the wheel instruction that is second to none as shown by the success enjoyed by our license applicants. It is also hoped that the student body will organize its own Safety Council this coming year, thus completing the continuous instruction and participation from the first to the twelfth grade.

In conclusion I want to thank you, Mr. C. Good, for your suggestions and advice in realizing this program; also, the School Committee, P. T. A., and Mother Clubs who have been so helpful in furthering the value of our work.

SCHOOL NURSE

For the school health department the year just ended has been a year of unusual growth in the number of pupils and in program expansion.

School Registration:

The rapid growth in numbers became apparent with a higher than usual pre-school registration last Spring. However, the full impact was not felt until a few days before school opened in September.

In previous years, the day before the opening of school has been devoted to registering approximately twenty new comers or stragglers who had neglected to register in the Spring. Last summer the school nurse, assisted by Mrs. Wiberg, Principal of the Walker School, spent two full and strenuous days registering one hundred and fifty (150) new pupils for all grades. For days after school opened, they continued to come, and they are still coming. To date about three hundred and sixty-five (365) new pupils have been registered by the nurse before entering our schools.

Since children frequently come to us with physical, mental or emotional problems, registration of all new pupils by the nurse seems wise and expedient. It offers an opportunity to obtain from the parent, information which leads to a better understanding of the child and an awareness of his needs.

Physical Examinations:

In accordance with the new law pertaining to the physical examination of school children, pupils in our schools will be, "examined by their family physician or the school physician, within six months before entrance to school, or during the first year after entrance, and at intervals of either three or four years thereafter", instead of annually as in the past. With this arrangement there should be fewer pupils to examine yearly, thus allowing more time per pupil. Actually, the school population here is growing so rapidly that a reduction in numbers is hardly discernable. In spite of limited time, the lack of space, privacy and quiet in all but the high school, every effort has been and is being made to make the examination given by the school physician, adequate. Much credit is due the school physician, Dr. MacDougall for the success of this phase of the school health program.

A new feature added this past year is an invitation to parents to have their children examined by their family physician. Upon request, a form is sent home on which the family physician records the findings of his examination. This information is then transferred to the child's health record.

Another new feature of the program is the physical examination of every athlete before participation in each sport, instead of an annual examination prior to the football season, as in the past.

Hearing and Vision Test:

A new addition to our audiometer now makes it possible to test children in the first three grades in groups of ten. Previously, group testing with the audiometer was possible only in grades four through twelve. The present program provides a hearing test for all pupils in Grade I and every second year thereafter. The value of this test can hardly be estimated, for we find that in many cases the hearing loss discovered is due to a remedial condition which, if detected and treated soon enough, prevents progressive or permanent hearing loss.

Lip reading has been made available for those who need it, through the courtesy of the Melrose School Department where such instruction is provided. Two of our pupils are taking full advantage

of this opportunity.

The vision testing program has also been expanded. It now provides a visual examination for each pupil in the first year after entering school, and every second year thereafter, instead of every third or fourth year as in the past. The testing is done by the school nurse using the Massachusetts Vision Test which screens for near sightedness, far sightedness and muscle imbalance. Pupils in any other grade may be referred for testing if suspected of visual difficulty.

Tuberculosis Prevention and Education:

With the cooperation of the local tuberculosis committee, Patch testing has been done in Grade I for the past three years. Last Oct. Grade III was included for a re-test. The purpose of this program is three-fold. First, case finding; second, to indicate the incidence of tuberculosis in Wilmington; and last by no means least, health education.

It is difficult to evaluate the educational success of such a program, but positive reactors to the Patch test have introduced us to families where careful follow-up was indicated, and is being done.

Dental Health:

The good work continues at the dental clinic. The original program, of topical applications of fluorine to the teeth at the ages when permanent teeth erupt, and restorative dentistry in Grades I and II for as many children as time will allow, is still being followed. With clinic time limited to three mornings a week, a preventive program such as this, is our only hope of improving the oral health of the school population.

A dental survey conducted by the State Department of Dental Health, assisted by the school nurse, revealed among other things that ninety percent of the pupils from six to fourteen years of age have tooth decay in permanent teeth.

Although our present program cannot be truly evaluated for another two years, nevertheless, Wilmington was commended by the State Department of Dental Health for conducting a most effective dental program in lieu of fluoridation of the water supply. We sincerely hope that no undue delay will deprive the children of this community of the benefits of this harmless, scientific discovery which is whole heartedly endorsed by every national health organization in the country, and which will reduce tooth decay up to sixty-five percent. The cost? About a dime per person per year!

Seldom can so much be done for so many, for so little.

Immunization:

The school nurse has again cooperated with the Board of Health Nurse in planning and conducting six immunization clinics. Triple antigen, which protects against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus is given to children from three months to four years of age. For older children, double antigen, which protects only against diphtheria and tetanus is used.

Some Statistics:

Number of visits to schools	687
Number of visits to homes	381
Number of conferences	319
Number of trips to the N. R. S. S. rheumatic fever cl.	43
Number of trips to other hospitals	5
Number of office visits	186

These visits, conferences, etc. represent a large and important part of the school nurse's work. Through conferences with teachers, principals, the superintendent of schools, State and City visitors, and others all sorts of problems are referred and discussed. Through home visits the understanding and cooperation necessary to the solution of these problems are gained.

Attendance at clinics is very time consuming. For this reason, and because real aid consists of making self help possible, trips to clinics and hospitals are made by the nurse only when there is no alternative.

The office visits are for the most part made by students seeking guidance in matters pertaining to health, or by pupils sent by a teacher because of some problem. In this way, many a major difficulty is prevented. Then too, these visits offer a splendid opportunity for personal health teaching.

As the Town grows it becomes increasingly important to establish policies by which details can be handled, and to center down on those issues and procedures which make the school health program vital and effective. To this end we are committed.

May I express my sincere appreciation to you, Mr. C. Good, for your loyal support and genuine interest in all phases of school health; to the principals and teachers for their kindness and co-operation; and to all who have helped to make the past year, a year of progress.

In the past we have found it necessary to think of our reading program in terms of correction, rather than prevention. Inasmuch as we have had little or no uniformity in our curriculum, we were bound to have failure.

This year, thanks to your recommendation and approval of the school committee, we have been able to adopt a basic reading system. This will enable us to work for prevention of reading failure and gradually decrease the number of corrective cases.

The reading system that you have chosen for our use is The Curriculum Foundation Series, published by Scott, Foresman Co. The series is so arranged that youngsters with pre-school reading needs are taken care of. From there on up through the grades, the texts are graded so that youngsters with varying reading levels within a classroom can be taken care of at any grade level. By means of uniformity in our reading program throughout the school system, we now will be able to check individual progress more efficiently and seek to keep each youngster going at his individual level of capacity.

It is our aim to see that a multiple-level instructional program is carried on within each grade. This is the picture to be found in the majority of classrooms.

Since reading is one of the chief means used to help the child achieve his maximum growth, the teacher must recognize the varying needs of the children and must pace each pattern of growth by supplying instructional materials in accordance with the needs and interests of each child. The reading program must be set up to help every child feel secure in his school life and develop gradually and successfully into a competent, self-confident person. The teachers are doing an excellent job of accepting this philosophy.

The multiple-level instructional program allows the pupils to join any group or groups that meet their needs. If one group is working on a specific reading skill, such as vocabulary development or some aspect of comprehension, any child who may profit by the work is free to join this group with the teacher's approval. In this manner the groups are flexible, and the children may work in two or more groups to satisfy their needs and promote their growth.

Every child reads successfully in a multiple-level reading program. With this in mind, plus the fact that both teachers and children are happy with the new basic readers, we are off to a good

start. The basic psychological principal of success functions. A child, just as an adult, will participate in, profit by, and enjoy the work in which he is successful.

I am very grateful to all teachers with whom I have worked this year. Their cooperation has been necessary in developing a common background, which must be shared by all, to make our reading program a success.

May I take this opportunity to thank all Principals, the Superintendent, and my staunch supporters on the School Committee.

SUPERVISOR OF ART

It is with profound gratitude that my eighth annual report of Art in the Wilmington Schools is submitted.

The natural desire to create is an innate part of every human being; however, the power of observation is undeveloped in most children, making this the assignment of the art department. Today our art education develops the child's awareness of his surroundings. Through his drawn expression a student unconsciously portrays his personality, thus his work, unsophisticated and frank makes for a charming result. No one claims that his work be skillfully expressed.

Art assignments left for the grade teacher to present in the interval between supervisory visits need understanding of the group, its needs, interests, and abilities, without thwarting any creative desires. Precision instruments are made for exactness, but art experiences must be free from precision giving vent to individual exploration and experiment. The art period even in this age is sometimes erroneously utilized as a time killer by tracing, copying and the use of mechanical crutches.

This type of work gives children a false feeling of achievement. Through encouragement, sympathy and understanding I strongly advocate self-expression in our school art.

High School Art has been available forty-five minutes weekly for those students able to forfeit a study period. Block printing and textile decoration proved a most favored phase of expression this past year. Skirts, blouses, luncheon sets and handkerchiefs were

decorated and displayed in the spring. Tempera, water color and pastels were other mediums employed.

Each seventh grade student has had forty minutes of art weekly, expressing his talents with water color, crayon and pastel. Due to the large eighth grade enrollment a rotation program has been solved whereas each student has had two forty-minute art periods in three weeks.

Grades one through six were visited once in two weeks, an art lesson presented, and two assignments left for the grade teacher's facility in carrying on the art program.

Throughout the past year I have been striving to acquaint our youth in the Wilmington Schools with nature's beauty and for the artistic in our environment through constant and happy activities. Aiding a child to see beauty by training his mind and hand will assist him in making finer choices in life and be a better workman.

Recommendations that I might make for the art program would be additional art time and specified areas for art. My desire for smaller groups for longer periods may be explained - - a seventh grade group of forty students have filed into an ordinary classroom for art instruction. The period is forty minutes long, and the assignment of the day is never an easy one. Instructions are given as monitors distribute the necessities. At the most the child will have twenty minutes working period before clean-up time, and clean-up must be prompt as the room must be vacated for a homeroom lunch period. A well-fitted art room, water and materials at hand for smaller group use and longer work period throughout our schools is the ultimate dream.

Another year of diligence and cooperation has drawn to a pleasant completion through the assistance of pupils, teachers, principals, school committee, and you Mr. C. Good, for this a humble thank you.

SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

The aims of music in the public schools are to provide the children with an understanding of good music, and to arouse, stimulate, and increase the enjoyment of children in participating in musical activities through the medium of the voice, rhythmic responses, instrumental playing and intelligent listening.

In the Primary Grade, we assist each child to learn to sing in tune with as good voice quality as the individual child's aural and vocal organs permit. He is taught rote songs, games, dances, and also obtains rhythm band training which was revived this year.

The Grade II children begin a music reading readiness program. Along with the rote songs taught, the child learns about the functions and uses of the clef, staff, key signatures, notations, scale, and by the end of the year should develop the ability to read the notations of very simple songs.

A pre-Instrumental Program in Grades II, III, and IV, was organized this year.

The Grade II children have Harmony Band instruments consisting of soprano, alto, and tenor chimes, and pipes. The child learns the basic fundamentals of music plus instrumental playing, and provides harmony for the Flutophones used by the third and fourth graders.

The Flutophone is of simple construction, and is fingered basically the same as a Flute, Piccolo, Oboe, Clarinet, Saxaphone, and Bassoon.

The increasing use of simple pitch-producing instruments in the classroom, such as the Flutophone, has opened new possibilities for more rapid musical development and greater musical enjoyment. Such a basic instrument as the Flutophone aids materially in the ease of song reading, appreciative listening, creative expression, rhythmic activities and the playing of any of the aforementioned instruments. Through the Flutophone classes, we are able to determine whether or not a child is musically inclined, and in what particular field of music his or her talent may lie. The response of the pre-Instrumental Classes was remarkable. Nearly every child in the third and fourth grade purchased a Flutophone.

In Grades III and IV, we develop the ability to read the notation of simple songs so as to produce the pitches, rhythms, tempi, and dynamic effects as indicated in scores of unison and part songs.

Grades V and VI, begin two and three part songs. These songs are taught with an understanding of the melodic, harmonic, and contrapuntal effects involved. Instrumental lessons are also available to students of Grades V, VI, Junior High School, and the Senior High School.

After receiving permission from Mr. Good, and the School Committee, I invited the Hollis Music Supply Co., of Boston, to Wilmington, to give an instrumental demonstration of the various instruments played today, for the children of Grades V through the High School, in the hope that the Instrumental program of Wilmington would increase to a greater extent than in the past.

The demonstration proved quite a hit with the students, for, one hundred children enrolled in the Instrumental Class with instruments either owned by the children themselves or rented on a three-month rental plan.

The price of the lesson is thirty cents, and the child receives forty minutes of class and semi-private instruction, either from Mr. Dominic DeGrazzia, music teacher, or myself.

Soon after lessons were under way, a Junior High School Band was formed, consisting of eighty-five (85) members from Grades V, VI, VII, and VIII.

In the Junior High School Music classes, there is a continuation of two and three part songs, and the introduction of the bass clef. The students also develop a memorized repertoire of well-known Home and Community songs, and standard, musically worthwhile songs. They are taught how to discriminate between tonal qualities of other voices as well as of standard music instruction.

The High School Music Program consists of a mixed chorus of ninety-one (91) members, and a Girls' Glee Club of sixty (60) members. The groups meet twice a week.

The instrumental program was available to the High School students also. However, the response here was not too great. Only eighteen (18) members enrolled in the instrumental classes. These students are preparing for orchestral and band training, which is still in the developing stage.

During the school year 1952-1953, we have been able to purchase music stands for the Junior High School Band, and the Harmony Band instruments for Grade II. From the fund established by former Supt. Stephen Bean years ago, music was bought for the Glee Clubs, the band, the orchestra, and also for the other music activities. These purchases also include a tape recorder for the use of the Glee Club and other music activities. Funds raised from Music Presentations throughout the year are placed in this Music Fund which is now in the hands of Supt. Good. With-

out the cooperation of the parents in attending the performances which were presented by the school children throughout the year, these purchases would not have been possible.

Public Performances:

"Christmas Musicale"

A program consisting of vocal and instrumental music.
Grades I through VIII

"Minstrel Show"

High School Chorus and Glee Club

"Spring Music Festival"

Held on the Common by the children of all Grades I through XII

"Graduation"

Junior and Senior High School

I am humbly and deeply grateful to you, Mr. C. Good, to the School Committee, and to the faculty members and parents who have been more than cooperative in helping me to build up the Music Dept. of the Wilmington Public Schools.



MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1952

Age - Grade Distribution

Grade	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Totals
1	53	169	16		1											239
2		36	124	32	3											195
3			35	104	37	4	6									186
4				26	131	232	5									194
5					37	88	36	8	1							170
6						27	73	39	8	6						153
7							24	60	25	7	3					119
8								26	70	29	7	4				136
9									31	72	24	2				129
10										24	59	20	2	1	1	107
11											19	44	21	2		86
12												13	49	5	2	69
13															1	1
Ungraded										2	5	5	3	2	2	19
Total	53	205	175	162	209	151	146	138	140	141	114	85	72	8	4	1803

School - Grade Distribution

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	SC	Tot.
West	22	20													42
Maple Meadow	29	30													59
Mildred Rogers	53	49	45	62											209
Walker	38	42	42	34											156
Whitefield	38	42	41	46											167
Center	57	14	58	52											181
Buzzell					170	153									323
Jr. High							119	136							255
High School									129	107	86	69	1	19	411
Total	237	197	186	194	170	153	119	136	129	107	86	69	1	19	1803



TOWN MEETINGS

Adjourned Town Meeting - January 3, 1952.

The adjourned Town Meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 8.45 p.m. January 3, 1952, at the High School Cafeteria.

The Moderator announced that the Town Counsel concurred in the Moderator's opinion that a quorum should be present at all times for action on By-Laws, at which time the by-laws and building laws of the town were voted, with corrections made from the floor authorizing the Town Clerk to change the numbering of sections and to correct grammatical errors.

Subject to the amendments made at this Town Meeting, the motion of Mr. C. Black that the by-laws recommended by the By-Laws Committee be adopted as the by-laws of the Town of Wilmington -- passed unanimously 75 to 0.

This meeting adjourned at 11.30 p.m. There were 90 voters checked in.

Record of Proceedings of Annual Town Meeting held March 3, 1952 at the
High School Cafeteria, Wilmington

In accordance with the above Warrant the voters assembled at the High School Cafeteria on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. David I. Elfman. Article 1 was read by the Town Clerk. On a motion by Mr. Ernest Eames it was voted to dispense with further reading of the Warrant.

The Moderator, Clerk, and Chief of Police examined the ballot box which was found to be empty, the register indicating 0000. The ballot box was then locked and the keys delivered to the Chief of Police, Paul J. Lynch.

The ballot clerks and tellers having been duly sworn to the faithful performance of their duties, the official ballots were delivered to the ballot clerks and receipts taken by the Moderator.

At 10.00 a.m. the Moderator declared the polls open.
At 8.00 p.m. the Moderator declared the polls closed.

The names checked on the check lists numbered One Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty-one. The register indicated One Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty-one (1421).

Following is the vote for Town Officers as announced by the Moderator:

<u>Selectman</u> - 3 years	Votes	Votes
Elected - Henry J. Lawler, Five Hundred Sixteen	516	516
Timothy F. Cunningham, Four Hundred Seventy-nine	479	
George E. Reynolds, Two Hundred Eighty-seven	287	
Paul J. Brennan, One Hundred Eleven	111	
All others, None		
Blanks, Twenty-eight	28	

<u>Moderator</u>	- 1 year	<u>Votes</u>
<u>Elected</u> -	David I. Elfman, Eleven Hundred Sixty-seven	1167
	All others, Ten	10
	Blanks, Two Hundred Forty-four	244

School Committee - 3 years

<u>Elected</u> -	Ruth M. Gratcyk, Seven Hundred Twenty-one	721
<u>Elected</u> -	Warren G. Willis, Four Hundred Sixty-six	466
	Max Leiter, Three Hundred Sixty-eight	368
	John J. Farrell, Three Hundred Forty-three	343
	Francis J. Farrell, Three Hundred Eight	308
	Wesley H. Baker, Two Hundred Sixty-six	266
	George L. Beal, Seventy-six	76
	All other, None	
	Blanks, Two Hundred Ninety-four	294

Wilmington Housing Authority - 5 years

<u>Elected</u> -	Joseph McManus, One Thousand Sixty-six	1066
	All others, Two	2
	Blanks, Three Hundred Fifty-three	353

Wilmington Housing Authority - 3 years

<u>Elected</u> -	William A. Anderson, One Thousand Sixty-one	1061
	All others, One	1
	Blanks, Three Hundred Fifty-nine	359

Wilmington Housing Authority - 1 year

<u>Elected</u> -	Gardner I. Ritchie, One Thousand Ninety	1090
	All others, Two	2
	Blanks, Three Hundred Twenty-nine	329

At 9.10 p. m. on a motion by Mr. Ernest Eames it was voted to adjourn.

A true copy.

Attest:

(Mrs.) Mary E. Gilligan
Town Clerk

Record of Proceedings of the Annual Town Meeting held March 10, 1952 at
Villanova Hall, Wilmington.

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. David I. Elfman, at 8.05 p.m.

On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons a rising vote of appreciation to Father Shea was taken for the use of Villanova Hall.

On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to dispense with the reading of the Warrant at this time.

Mr. Elfman stated that as it is an established custom in most towns to open Town Meeting with a prayer, while he is moderator this custom will be followed. Father Shea offered the prayer at this meeting and it has been agreed that either the Congregational or Methodist minister will be at the next meeting and they are to agree among themselves as to which one will do it.

Motion by Mr. Larz Neilson. James J. Gilligan, an honorable Selectman of this town, from 1945 to 1948, is not with us tonight. He was a man who gave freely of his time and talents, for the youth, and for the citizens of his town. I move you, sir, that this meeting observe one minute of silence in respect to the late James J. Gilligan. This was done.

At the request of the Moderator the minutes of the last Town Meeting with regard to the voting precincts were read by the Town Clerk.

On a motion by Mr. Joseph M. Grimes it was voted to take the article on voting precincts from the table to be acted upon.

At the request of the Moderator for a representative of the Committee, Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons read the report of the Selectmen with regard to dividing the Town into six precincts.

Mr. Ralph R. Currier questioned the validity of the motion as the article had not been included in the Warrant as instructed by the previous Town Meeting. Mr. Philip B. Buzzell, Town Counsel, stated that it was possible that the Secretary of State would declare it invalid. Mr. Lyons reported that the Selectmen had agreed it was not necessary to put it in the Warrant and suggested that it be voted upon and then let the Secretary of State decide, and if necessary it could then be put in the next Town Meeting Warrant.

A voice vote was taken on the motion by Mr. Grimes and it was defeated.

Article 2. The report of the Water Main Extension Committee was given by Mrs. Wavie M. Drew. On a motion by Mr. Larz Neilson it was voted to accept the report as read.

On a motion by Mr. E. Hayward Bliss it was voted to take up the report of the Special School Building Committee with Article 27.

Article 3. On a motion by Mr. Herbert C. Barrows it was voted that the amounts of money approved by the Finance Committee in its Report be raised and appropriated, the several items to be voted upon by groups with each item subject to amendment. He stated there is an Available Balance of \$57,361.56 which may or may not be taken into consideration.

Under Mr. Barrows' motion it was voted to raise and appropriate the following amounts:

<u>General Government</u>		<u>Taxation</u>
Town Manager	Clerk, Twenty-five Hundred Dollars	2,500.00
" "	Salary, Six Thousand Dollars	6,000.00
" "	Expenses, Two Thousand Dollars	2,000.00
Selectmen	Expenses, Three Hundred Fifty-five Dollars	355.00
Town Accountant	Salary, Eighteen Hundred Dollars	1,800.00
"	Expenses, One Hundred Twenty Dollars	120.00
Treasurer	Salary, Twenty-five Hundred Dollars	2,500.00
* "	Expenses, Twenty-six Hundred Dollars	2,600.00
Collector	Salary, Twenty-five Hundred Dollars	2,500.00
* "	Expenses, Twenty-four Hundred Dollars	2,400.00
Finance Comm.	Expenses, Two Hundred Fifty Dollars	250.00

	Taxation
Assessors	7,700.00
* " "	1,500.00
*Collector	1,200.00
Town Counsel	625.00
Town Clerk	2,500.00
* " "	500.00
Election Registration	2,000.00
	1,425.00
Planning Board	200.00
*Town Hall	1,700.00
Board of Appeal	100.00

On an amendment by Mr. Lyons it was voted that the Collector, Clerk, be included in the Town Hall Expenses.

*Later in the Town Meeting on an amendment by Mr. Lyons it was voted that the appropriations already made under the heading of General Government, the following items be segregated, namely:

Treasurer, Expenses	\$2,600.00
Collector, " "	2,400.00
Assessors, " "	1,500.00
Collector, Clerk	1,200.00
Town Clerk, Expenses	500.00
Town Hall, Salary and Expenses	1,700.00

and combining the same as a single item of appropriation in the total amount of \$9,900.00; the remainder of said group to be left as separate items as already voted.

He explained that the item of Collector, Clerk, was not intended as a clerk for the Collector only, but was to be a part-time service for the various departments and made the above motion to facilitate the work of the Town Accountant.

It was voted in a group to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-two Thousand, Four Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars for the various items as read by the Moderator and approved by the Finance Committee.

Protection of Persons and Property:

A motion was made by Mr. Paul J. Lynch that the figure of \$21,680.00 recommended by the Finance Committee be amended by inserting in place thereof the amount of \$28,692.00.

On a motion by Mr. Lynch it was voted to use Yes and No ballots and while the ballots were being counted the following items were taken up.

Police Dept., Expenses, Thirty-six Hundred Dollars	3,600.00
Ambulance, Four Hundred Fifteen Dollars	415.00
Constable, Fifty Dollars	50.00
Fire Dept., Salaries & Wages, Twenty-one Thousand Eight Hundred and Ten Dollars	21,810.00

	<u>Taxation</u>
Fire Dept., Expenses, Three Thousand Dollars	3,000.00
Outlay, Hose, One Thousand Dollars	1,000.00
Sealer of Weights & Measures, Salary, Two Hundred Fifty Dollars	250.00
" Expenses, Seventy-five Dollars	75.00
Civilian Defense, \$417.66 voted last year	
Tree Warden, Salary, Twenty-five Hundred Dollars	2,500.00
(Chapter 660 - \$650.00, 761 - 1171.00, Shade Tree - 675)	
Tree Warden, Expenses & Wages	
Chapter 660, Twenty-six Hundred Dollars	2,600.00
Moth, Nine Hundred Dollars	900.00
Shade Trees, Five Hundred Dollars	500.00

It was voted in a group, with the exception of the Police Department Salaries and Wages to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36,700.00 for the various items as read by the Moderator and approved by the Finance Committee.

36,700.00

Health & Sanitation:

Sanitarian Salary & Building Inspector, Three Thousand Dollars	3,000.00
Board, Expenses, Three Thousand Dollars	3,000.00
Town Nurse, Salary, Twenty-five Hundred Dollars	2,500.00
" Expenses, Five Hundred Dollars	500.00
Animal Inspector, Salary, Two Hundred Fifty Dollars	250.00

Voted as a group as read by the Moderator and approved by the Finance Committee.

Transfer

Highway Dept. General:

Salaries & Wages, Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred	13,600.00
Expense, Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars	12,500.00

*Machinery Fund

On an amendment by Mr. Barrows it was voted to transfer the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars from Excess & Deficiency Account	10.000.00
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Chapter 90 Construction 1952, Three Thousand Dollars	3,000.00
On a motion by Mr. Barrows it was voted to change the date 1951 as printed in error on the Finance Committee Report	

Chapter 90 Maintenance, Fifteen Hundred Dollars	1,500.00
Chapter 81, Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty Dollars	9,150.00
Snow Account, Eleven Thousand Dollars	11,000.00

On an amendment by Mr. Barrows it was voted to substitute \$11,000.00 for the \$8,000.00 in the Finance Committee Report. Mr. Cushing explained this was because of the unusual four NE storms in the last twenty days and in addition \$2,000.00 was used as rent for the Walters Snow fighters, which amount will go toward the purchase price if the Town votes to buy the fighters.

Chair in doubt as to voice vote, a standing vote was taken.

Yes - 223 No - 48

It was declared voted.

*Machinery Account, Eight Thousand Dollars	8,000.00
Street lights, Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars	9,800.00

With the exception of the \$10,000.00 to be transferred and the \$11,000.00 already voted, it was voted in a group to raise and appropriate the amounts as read by the Moderator and approved by the Finance Committee.

68,550.00

At this time the vote on the amendment to the Police Department Salaries & Wages was given.

Yes - 203 No - 211

Amendment declared lost.

It was then voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-one Thousand, Six Hundred Eighty Dollars for Police Dept. Salaries & Wages

21,680.00

Charities & Soldiers' Benefits:

Public Welfare, Administration, Fifteen Hundred Dollars	1,500.00
Public Welfare, Aid, Twelve Thousand Dollars	12,000.00
Aid Dependent Children, Administration, One Thousand	1,000.00
Aid Dependent Children, Aid, Fifteen Thousand Dollars	15,000.00
Old Age Assistance, Adm., Three Thousand Dollars	3,000.00
Old Age Assistance, Aid, Thirty-six Thousand Five Hundred	36,500.00
Disability Assistance, Five Thousand Dollars	5,000.00
Veterans' benefits, Nine Thousand Dollars	9,000.00

Voted in a group to be raised and appropriated, as read by the Moderator and approved by the Finance Committee.

Schools & Libraries:

Salaries & Wages, Two Hundred Two Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-nine Dollars	202,279.00
Mr. Barrows read a letter from Mr. Good, Supt. of Schools giving an approximate figures of \$96,325.00 for State Aid for the School year 1951-1952.	
Expenses, Seventy-nine Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-nine	79,929.00
Vocational Training, Five Thousand Dollars	5,000.00
Libraries, Twenty-three Hundred Dollars	2,300.00

Voted \$289,508.00 as read by the Moderator and approved by the Finance Committee.

Unclassified, voted to raise and appropriate Four Thousand

4,000.00

Public Service Enterprises:

Cemetery & Parks	<u>Transfer</u> 2,000.00	10,000.00
* On a later motion it was voted the \$2,000.00 be transferred from Cemetery Reserve Fund to Cemetery & Parks and \$10,000.00 be raised by taxation.		
Hydrant Service, Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars	7,500.00	
Water Dept., Salaries, Twenty-three Thousand Dollars	23,000.00	
Water Dept., Expenses, Twenty-two Thousand Dollars	22,000.00	

Voted as a group as read by the Moderator and approved by the Finance Committee and later amended as above.

	Transfer	Taxation
Maturing Debt	<u>12,500.00</u>	<u>36,000.00</u>

On a motion by Mr. Barrows it was voted to transfer the sum of \$12,500.00 from Water Available Surplus to Maturing Debt Account and to raise \$36,000.00 by taxation.

Interest

On a motion by Mr. Barrows it was voted to transfer the sum of \$1,388.88 from Water Available Surplus to Interest Account and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,276.12 by taxation.

Reserve Fund, Eight Thousand Dollars

8,000.00

*At this time it was voted to transfer the \$2,000.00 from Cemetery Reserve Fund.

Mr. Ralph Currier moved to reconsider the item of Cemetery & Parks. He considered that the \$2,000.00 should refer to Cemetery only. Mr. Grimes in favor of the motion as made. It was voted to reconsider and it was voted to transfer and appropriate as above.

A motion by Mr. Harold McKelvey to reconsider the Police Department Salaries & Wages appropriation was defeated.

A motion by Mr. Kenneth Lyons to adjourn until 2.00 p.m. Saturday, the 15th, was defeated.

A motion by Mr. Harold McKelvey to act on Articles 11, 12 and 13 at this time was defeated by a standing vote, Yes - 67, No - 140.

Article 4. On a motion by Mr. Lyons it was voted to defer action on this article until after Article 8 had been taken up because of the absence of Mr. Cushing who was arranging with Fr. Shea for the use of the hall if the meeting was adjourned.

A motion by Mrs. Bernice Butler to hear the report of the Special School Building Committee at this time and to act on Article 27 was defeated.

Article 5. On a motion by Mr. Robert Peters it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Thirty-seven Dollars and eighty-one cents (\$337.81) to pay unpaid departmental bills of 1951.

Moderator announced that a 4/5 vote was required on this article so a standing vote was taken. Yes - 248, No - 0

Article 6. On a motion by Mr. Frederic Melzar it was voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning January 1, 1952, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17 Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 7. On a motion by Mr. Henry J. Lawler it was voted that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell at Public Auction, in the evening, properties taken by the town under Tax Title foreclosure procedure and to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of the vote provided, however, that before any sales are made, due notice of the time and place shall be given by advertising in the local paper and the Lowell Sun, at least fourteen (14) days before the sale and deeds executed hereunder must be recorded within twenty (20) days of their execution. But it is further provided that the Board of Selectmen may at any time sell and convey, and without advertising the same, any such foreclosed property to any former owner or other party who has had a legal interest in the same upon receipt of a sum equal in amount to all unpaid taxes, interest and expenses which have accrued upon such property or properties to the date of such sale.

Article 8. On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to amend Paragraph 6 of Section 4 of the Zoning By-Laws by adding at the end thereof the words: "fire and police stations, highway department buildings and other public buildings."

The report of the Planning Board was read by Mr. Woller.

The Moderator declared a two-thirds vote was required on this article. In answer to a question by Mr. George Bryant, Mr. Lyons stated that this would not include stores, only public buildings.

A standing vote was taken. Yes - 231, No - 5.

Article 4. On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) to cover temporary cost of living increases in the compensation of all town officers and employees, other than School Department employees, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Town Manager.

On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to adjourn until 8.00 p.m. Monday, March 17, 1952.

Meeting was adjourned at 11.23 p.m.

There were 473 voters checked in.

A true copy, attest:

(Mrs.) Mary E. Gilligan
Town Clerk

Adjourned Town Meeting Held March 17, 1952 at Villanova Hall

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 8.00 p.m.

Article 9. On a motion by Mr. Guy H. Nichols it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), the money to be expended under the direction of the 4-H Town Committee serving in co-operation with the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Finance Committee approved.

Article 10. On a motion by Mr. Joseph H. Woods it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a Committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance.

Finance Committee approved.

Article 11. On a motion by Mr. John H. Tautges it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for the purpose of renewing under the authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended the lease of the American Legion Clubhouse in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Post of the American Legion.

Finance Committee approved as read.

Article 12. On a motion by Mr. Frederick Kleynen it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for the purpose of renewing under the authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended the lease of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Clubhouse on Main Street in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Finance Committee reported favorably on the article as read.

Article 13. On a motion by Mr. Leon Daszuta it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) under authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Chapter 106 of the Disabled American Veterans.

Finance Committee disapproved.

On a motion by Mr. William S. Wendell it was voted to allow National Service Officer James Sayer of the Disabled American Veterans to speak on this article. His remarks were confined to ten minutes by the Moderator in accordance with our By-laws.

Moderator doubted voice vote, a standing vote was taken. Yes - 94, No - 93.

Article 15. On a motion by Mr. Henry J. Lawler it was voted to transfer the sum of Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$4,850.00) from Road Machinery Fund Account and appropriate the same for the purchase of a front-end loader.

The Finance Committee approved \$4,000.00 but after talking with Mr. Cushing the previous action was rescinded and \$4,850.00 was recommended.

Article 14. On a motion by Mr. Charles H. Black it was voted to transfer the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) from the Road Machinery Fund Account and appropriate the same for the purchase of two "Walters Snow Fighters" complete with scraper and plow and sanding equipment.

Finance Committee recommended \$4,000.00 for the purpose set forth in Article 14.

On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to take up Article 21.

Article 21. A motion was made by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing a new building for use of the Fire and Police Departments on land owned by the Town on Adelaide Street now occupied by the Highway Department, including the purchase of additional land if necessary, and to meet said appropriation that the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) be transferred from the Excess & Deficiency Account, of which not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) is to be expended for remodeling or reconstructing the present Highway Dept.

building on said land, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

The Finance Committee approved for the construction of a new building but did not approve the reconstruction of an old building.

An amendment by Mr. Currier was withdrawn.

At 9.25 p.m. after considerable discussion it was voted on a motion by Mr. Larz Neilson, to lay on the table for one hour, to give the sponsors of the article time to conform more fully to the sense of the meeting.

Article 16. On a motion by Mr. Herbert Barrows it was voted to lay on the table until Article 21 had been disposed of.

Article 17. On a motion by Mr. Herbert Barrows it was voted to accept the streets designated in Article 17 and that the sum of Three Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-eight Dollars and Twenty Cents be raised by taxation and the further sum of Three Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-one Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$3,321.80) be transferred from the unexpended 1950 appropriation for repairs to Ayotte St., Crest Ave., Nassau Ave., Ballardvale St., Beech St. and Glen Road, making a total appropriation of \$7,000.00 for the purposes set forth in Article 17 of the warrant.

Article 18. On a motion by Mr. Henry J. Lawler it was voted to accept the following streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and approved by the Planning Board - Woodlawn Ave., for approximately 250 feet from Main St., and Glendale Circle.

Finance Committee approved as read.

Article 19. On a motion by Mr. Henry J. Lawler it was voted that the Town install street lights in the following streets:

Concord Street	5 lights	Woburn Street	2 lights
Williams Ave.	2 "	Marjorie Road	4 "
Cedar Avenue	1 "	Grant Street	2 "
High Street	1 "	Fairfield Road	3 "
Cypress St.	1 "		

Finance Committee approved as read.

Article 20. On a motion by Mr. Joseph Slater it was voted to lay on the table until Article 21 had been disposed of.

Article 22. On a motion by Mr. Frederic Melzar it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$450.00) for the purchase of a new police cruiser and for the transfer of radio equipment, and authorize the trade-in of the present cruiser as credit toward said purchase.

The Finance Committee originally approved \$400.00 but later approved an additional \$50.00 for installing the radio.

Article 23. On a motion by Mr. Joseph H. Woods it was voted that the Town transfer the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) from the Excess & Deficiency Account and appropriate same for the purchase and installation of a two way radio communication system.

Mr. Barrows reported that at the time the Report was printed no information was available so no action was taken by the Finance Committee.

Voice vote doubted, a standing vote was taken. Yes - 159, No - 28.

Article 24. On a motion by Mr. A. John Imbimbo it was voted that the Town accept Section 16C of Chapter 147 of the General Laws.

Voice vote doubted, a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons to take a Yes & No ballot with the use of the check list was defeated.

Voice vote doubted, a rising vote was taken on the motion itself. Yes - 133, No - 71.

Article 25. On a motion by Mr. Henry J. Lawler it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars, (\$1,250.00) for the purchase, installation and operation of fluoridation equipment for use in the public water system.

Finance Committee disapproved this article because many different parties had called objecting to anything foreign being put into the water.

Mr. Harriman stated that the Water Board was not in favor.

At 10.35 p.m. Article 21 was taken up.

On an amendment by Mr. Ralph R. Currier it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$72,500.00) for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing a new building for use of the Fire and Police Departments, on the site of the present fire station and on land between the Fire Station and Masonic Hall (land to cost not more than \$2500.00 and to meet said appropriation, Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00) be transferred from the Excess & Deficiency Account and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than twenty years under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

A two-thirds vote being required, a rising vote was taken. Yes - 254, No - 2.

Article 16. On a motion by Mr. Joseph H. Woods it was voted to pass the article.

Article 20. On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000.00) to purchase a new fire truck including the necessary fire apparatus and authorize the trade-in of the present American LaFrance fire truck as credit toward such purchase, such appropriation to be made by transfer from the Excess &

Deficiency Account.

Finance Committee disapproved until there was a place to store it.

Article 26. Motion by Mrs. Wavie M. Drew that the Town vote to raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) for the purpose of extending public water mains in

Hillside Way to the Town Line, in
Eames Street to Main Street, in
Washington Avenue for a distance of 1100 feet, in
Wiser Street and Hobson Avenue for a distance of 2000 feet, in
Laurel Avenue for a distance of 600 feet, and in
Jaquith Road for a distance of 1000 feet

any money remaining after completion of these streets to be spent on installing water mains in Shady Lane Drive. All streets to be restored to the same or equivalent condition prior to these installations.

A motion by Mr. Barrows to amend to \$20,000.00 was defeated.

On an amendment by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted unanimously to raise and appropriate Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) by taxation and transfer Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the Excess & Deficiency Account to Water Main Extensions.

Article 27. The report of the School Building Committee was given by Mr. E. Hayward Bliss and accepted by the Town Meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Alan Shepard it was voted that the Committee be continued as a Special School Building Committee and instructed to bring before a later Town Meeting as soon as feasible, detailed plans and specifications for a new elementary school building including recommendations as site and that the town transfer from the Excess & Deficiency Account and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00) to be added to the amount of \$5000.00 previously appropriated for the use of this committee to cover the cost of engaging an architect to prepare such plans and proper incidental expenses.

Letter from Director of Accounts to Mr. Barrows 3-13-52

"Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 12 relative to the borrowing capacity of the Town of Wilmington, and I assume it is intended to borrow the sum of \$450,000.00 for school construction, and in reply to your question, you are advised that in accordance with Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1952, the Town of Wilmington, with the approval of the Emergency Finance Board, may issue a loan for school purposes up to \$575,000.00 without the necessity of petitioning the legislature to borrow outside the debt limit.

Prior to the enactment of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1952, the Town of Wilmington had a borrowing capacity inside the debt limit of \$162,000.00 but with the passage of the above act, the town may, with the approval of the Emergency Finance Board, borrow an additional \$412,000.00 within the debt limit."

At 11.35 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to adjourn.

There were 324 voters checked.

A true copy, attest:

(Mrs.) Mary E. Gilligan
Town Clerk

Presidential Primary - April 29, 1952

In accordance with all prescribed law, and the town by-law, the Presidential Primary was held on April 29, 1952, with the polls opening at 4.00 p.m. and closing at 8.00 p.m.

Detailed reports of the votes counted of the more than one hundred candidates on the ballots can be seen at the office of the Town Clerk and have been printed for public distribution in the Secretary of State's Office.

Special Town Meeting Held September 8, 1952 - High School Cafeteria

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant the Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. David I. Elfman, at 8.00 p.m.

The Warrant was read by the Town Clerk up to Article 1.

On a Motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to dispense with further reading of the Warrant.

Article 1. On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted that Article 1 and Article 11 be taken up simultaneously.

Motion by Mr. Lyons that the Selectmen and Town Manager be and they hereby are authorized to sell and convey to New England Gas Products Company, or its nominee, a tract of land owned by the Town formerly included in the Town Park, containing approximately 35.65 acres and bounded: southwesterly by the Boston & Maine Railroad location 939.54 feet; westerly by Main Street by two courses respectively 316.58 feet and 423.75 feet; northwesterly by land of Yentile 351.66 feet; westerly again by land of Yentile 533.02 feet; northerly again by land of Yentile by two courses respectively 26 feet and 64.57 feet; northeasterly by land of Barrows by four courses respectively 230 feet, 893.98 feet, 180.53 feet and 178.31 feet; southeasterly by various lots shown on the Cottage Gardens Plan, so-called, by two courses respectively 786.16 feet and 447.68 feet, and southerly by other land of the Town 377.33 feet, be said area and all of said measurements either more or less, for the price of Three Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$3,600.00) other terms and conditions of such sale to be at the discretion of the Selectmen and Town Manager.

Article 11. Motion by Mr. J. Yentile that the Town vote to sell the land located at the Old Town Farm bounded by the Maple Meadow Brook, Main Street and west of Barrows, the length of the open field to the drive-way which is north of the Boston and Maine Railroad and a small piece of land bounded by

the Maple Meadow Brook, west of Main Street to the railroad track, which is known as the Flat Iron Field, to Joseph Yentile for the price of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00).

Mr. Elfman explained that passing Article 1 would eliminate Article 11 as both cover the same location.

After considerable discussion Mr. Kleynen moved that the question be put. Moderator announced that a two-thirds vote was required on the motion. A standing vote was taken. Yes - 295, No - 8.

Mr. Barrows. The Finance Committee recommended favorable action.

A two-thirds vote was required on Motion on Article 1.

A standing vote was taken. Yes - 296, No. - 31.

Moderator declared the motion passed.

Mr. Elfman stated that Article 11 was now a moot question. On a motion by Mr. Robert J. Moran it was voted unanimously to lay on the table.

Article 2. On a motion by Mr. Joseph H. Woods it was voted that the Selectmen and Town Manager be and they hereby are authorized to sell and convey to Raffi and Swanson, Inc., or its nominee, a tract of land owned by the Town, formerly included in the Town Park, containing approximately 1.32 acres and bounded: southerly by land of Raffi and Swanson, Inc., 149.57 feet; southwesterly by the Boston and Maine Railroad location 329.15 feet, northeasterly by other land of the Town 377.33 feet and southeasterly by land of Weatherbee 207.90 feet, be said area and all of said measurements either more or less, for the price of One Hundred Thirty-two Dollars (\$132.00), other terms and conditions of such sale to be at the discretion of the Selectmen and Town Manager.

A two-thirds vote being required, a standing vote was taken. Yes - 302, No - 0. Moderator declared the motion passed unanimously.

The Finance Committee had recommended favorable action.

Article 3. On a motion by Miss Eleanor Grimes it was voted to authorize the school committee to establish and maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, and Acts amendatory thereto, or dependent thereon, and further transfer from available funds the amount of Six Hundred Ninety-five Dollars and Twenty-four Cents (\$695.24) therefor.

Finance Committee recommended adoption of this article as read.
Voted Unanimously.

Article 4. Motion by Mr. E. Hayward Bliss that the Selectmen and/or Town Manager be authorized to purchase or take by eminent domain immediately for the Town for School purposes a tract of land situated on the easterly side of Wildwood Street opposite the land of the Wilmington Housing Authority, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of Wildwood Street 40.09 feet from land now or formerly of William Swain, thence running easterly by land of Strout and Wing 334.9 feet; thence running southeasterly 558 feet to land of Barbas; thence southwesterly 304 feet to

Wildwood Street, thence northwesterly by two courses 364.62 feet and 235.38 feet to point of beginning, containing 4.25 acres more or less as shown on a plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass., dated July 24, 1952 by S. Albert Kaufman, R. L. S. Malden, Mass.

On a motion by Mr. Bliss it was voted to take up Articles 4 and 5 together.

Article 5. Motion by Mr. E. Hayward Bliss that the Selectmen and/or Town Manager be authorized to purchase immediately for the Town for School purposes a tract of land situated easterly of Wildwood Street in the rear of other premises fronting on said street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point 334.9 feet from the easterly side of Wildwood Street and running easterly on the same line as Lot B 265.1 feet; thence southeasterly 525.37 feet to land of Strout and Wing; thence southwesterly 296 feet along land of Strout and Wing and on same line as southern side of Lot B; thence running northwesterly 558 feet along line of Lot B, containing 3.46 acres more or less, all as shown on a Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass. and that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) be transferred from the Excess & Deficiency Account and that the Selectmen and Town Treasurer be authorized to borrow, within the debt limit, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 44 of the General Laws, a sum not to exceed Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$6,750.00) and to issue notes or bonds of the Town therefor, said combined sums to be expended approximately on a 70-30 ratio for front and rear land respectively as above.

Mr. Barrows reported that the Finance Committee was unable to make any report; due to lack of information no action had been taken.

On a motion by Mr. Barrows it was voted to defer further action on these two articles until the close of the Warrant and then to take up and defer until the adjourned Town Meeting thus enabling the Finance Committee to take action.

Mr. Lyons stated that it was necessary to have another Town Meeting as this matter and a bond issue cannot be voted at the same meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Barrows it was voted to defer action until the adjourned Town Meeting.

Article 6. On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted that the action of the Selectmen in applying to the Emergency Finance Board in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended and other applicable provisions of law, for approval of the authorization by the Town of indebtedness in excess of five per cent but not in excess of ten per cent of the average of the assessors' valuations of taxable property, for the purpose of providing additional school accommodations, be and is hereby ratified.

Finance Committee approved as read.
Voted unanimously.

Article 7. On a motion by Mr. Caleb S. Harriman it was voted unanimously that the Town transfer the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) from the Water Revenue Account to the Water Department Salaries and Wages Acct.

Finance committee recommended favorable action on the article as read.

Article 8. On a motion by Mr. Charles H. Black it was voted that Cunningham Street as relocated by the Board of Selectmen be and the same is hereby accepted.

Finance Committee voted to approve as read.

Article 9. On a motion by Mr. Paul T. Metcalf it was voted that the Moderator appoint a Committee of five members, to serve for a period of three years unless sooner discharged by vote of the Town, to investigate and study the provisions of Chapter 662, of the Acts of 1949, and to study existing health services and facilities in the town, and to determine the advantages to be derived from Wilmington joining with the neighboring Towns of Reading and North Reading and others for a union health department; said Committee to report its findings and recommendations at a future town meeting, and to make progress reports at each intervening annual town meeting.

Finance Committee recommended favorable action on the article.

Article 10. On a motion by Chief Paul Lynch it was voted that the Town transfer from available funds the sum of Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1800.00) to be used for the purchase of a sedan type pleasure vehicle for the use of the Wilmington Police Department as a police cruising car.

Mr. Lyons raised a point of order. Where would the funds come from.

Mr. Buzzell stated there could be no transfer without Finance Committee approval. Section 33B, Chapter 44 of the General Laws as amended by Section 6, Chapter 798, Acts of 1951.

Mr. Elfman took exception to this ruling and allowed discussion of the article. Mrs. Drew asked if funds were available. Mr. Peters was unable to say as he did not have his books with him.

Finance Committee did not recommend passage of the article.
A standing vote was taken. Yes - 204, No - 41.

A motion by Mr. Lyons to amend Article 3 was declared out of order because of time limit.

On a motion by Mr. Robert J. Moran it was voted to adjourn at 11.10 p.m.

The adjourned Town Meeting to be held September 29, 1952, at 8.00 p.m. at the High School Cafeteria, when Articles 4 and 5 will be taken up, followed by a Special Town Meeting.

There were 375 voters checked in.

A true copy, attest:

(Mrs.) Mary E. Gilligan
Town Clerk

Committee appointed under Article 9 - October 27, 1952

Gaius Harmon, M. D. 183 Middlesex Ave.

Esther Nichols, R. N. 187 Middlesex Ave.

Philip Geoffrion 2 Chapman Ave.

Paul Metcalf 30 Brentwood Ave.

Anthony Meads 149 Main Street

State Primary - September 16, 1952

In accordance with all legal procedure the State Primary was held on September 16, 1952, with the polls opening at 3.00 p.m. and closing at 8.00 p.m.

Detailed reports of the votes received by the more than one hundred candidates running are on file at the office of the Town Clerk and have been printed for public distribution in the Secretary of State's office.

September 29, 1952 Meeting Adjourned from September 8, 1952 and Special Town Meeting

In accordance with the vote of the Special Town Meeting of September 8, 1952, the adjourned Town Meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 8.05 p.m.

On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to pass Articles 4 and 5, as they were covered in the Warrant of the new Town Meeting, and that the meeting be adjourned and to proceed with the new Town Meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted to adjourn, and the meeting adjourned at 8.07 p.m.

A true copy, attest:

(Mrs.) Mary E. Gilligan
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting held September 29, 1952 - High School Cafeteria

In accordance with the Warrant the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Mr. David Elfman, at 8.10 p.m.

The Warrant was read by the Moderator.

On a motion by Mr. Charles H. Black it was voted to dispense with further reading of the Warrant.

Article 1. It was suggested by the Moderator that the article be taken up and voted on in two parts.

Article 1, part 1. On a motion by Mr. E. Hayward Bliss it was voted that the Town raise and/or appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$535,000.00) for the purpose of acquiring land for, construction, and originally equipping and furnishing a grade school building and to meet said appropriation that Two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-six Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$2636.30) be transferred from the E & D Account and that Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-three Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$14,363.70) be transferred from the High School Construction Account, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of Five Hundred Eighteen Thousand Dollars, (\$518,000.00) of which Three Hundred Sixty-six Thousand Dollars (\$366,000.00) is to be borrowed in excess of the Town's normal debt limit, as authorized by

the Emergency Finance Board under the provisions of Section 10 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1952, and the balance is to be borrowed within such normal debt limit and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in not more than twenty (20) years.

Mr. Barrows reported that the Finance Committee recommended favorable action on the article as read.

A two-thirds vote was required.

Voted unanimously.

Rescinded 10/30/52

Article 1, part 2. On a motion by Mr. E. Hayward Bliss it was voted to authorize the present school building committee to enter into contracts and do all things that are necessary for constructing, equipping and furnishing the said grade school building.

The Finance Committee recommended favorable action on the article as read. Two-thirds vote required.

Voted unanimously.

Article 2. On a motion by Mr. Nicholas L. DeFelice it was voted that the Selectmen and/or Town Manager be and they hereby are authorized to purchase for the Town as a site for a grade school building the tract of land situated on the easterly side of Wildwood Street opposite the land recently acquired by the Wilmington Housing Authority, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of Wildwood Street 40.09 feet, southeasterly from land now or formerly of William Swain; thence running easterly by land of Strout and Wing 334.9 feet; thence running Southeasterly by land last mentioned 558 feet to land of Barbas; thence running Southwesterly by said land last mentioned 304 feet to said Wildwood Street; thence running Northwesterly by said Wildwood Street by two courses 364.62 feet and 235.38 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4.25 acres more or less and shown as Lot B on Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass., dated July 24, 1952, made by S. Albert Kaufman, R. L. S., Malden, Mass.; and the sum of Eight Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$8,600.00) is hereby appropriated for such purpose, said sum to be taken from the fund heretofore appropriated under Article 1 of the Warrant for this meeting.

The Finance Committee recommended \$8,600.00 for the purchase of the land as described in Article 2.

A two-thirds vote required.

Voted unanimously.

Rescinded 10/30/52

Article 3. On a motion by Mr. Alan D. Shepherd it was voted that the Selectmen and/or Town Manager be and they hereby are authorized to purchase for the Town as a site for a grade school building a tract of land situated easterly of Wildwood Street in the rear of other premises fronting on said street and opposite the land recently acquired by the Wilmington Housing Authority, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point 334.9 feet from the

easterly side of Wildwood Street at the Northeasterly corner of Lot B on a plan hereinafter referred to, thence running Easterly in continuation of the Northerly sideline of said Lot B 265.1 feet; thence running Southeasterly 525.37 feet to a point on the Southerly sideline of said Lot B extended; thence running Southwesterly 296 feet along the extended Southerly sideline of said Lot B to the Southeasterly corner of said Lot B; thence running Northwesterly 558 feet by and with said Lot B to the point of beginning, said tract containing 3.46 acres more or less and shown as Lot A on Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass., dated July 24, 1952, made by S. Albert Kaufman, R. L. S., Malden, Mass., and the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00) is hereby appropriated for such purpose, said sum to be taken from the fund heretofore appropriated under Article 1 of the Warrant for this meeting.

Mr. Hobart Spring states that the Finance Committee recommended \$2500 for the purchase of the land as described.

A two-thirds vote required.

Voted unanimously.

Rescinded 10/30/52

Article 4. On a motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons it was voted that the Selectmen and/or Town Manager be and hereby are authorized to sell and convey to Edward V. Osberg, or his nominee, any and all right, title and interest which the Town may have in and to the following lots or parcels of land, or any portion of the same, located in the southerly part of Wilmington near the Woburn line as shown on the Woburn City Land & Improvement Company's plan of Sections B and C recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 4c Plans 134 and 135 respectively, and more particularly as were read by the Town Moderator in the Article of the Warrant.

(These lots are as follows:

Lots 1, 22 to 44 inc. Blk. 1;
4, 5, 17, 18, 21 to 27 inc., 40, 41, 43, 44, Blk. 2;
1 to 8 inc. 27, 28, 37, 38, Blk. 3;
16 to 18 inc., 21 to 29 inc., 39, Blk. 4;
1 to 3 inc., 16, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 28, Blk. 5;
8 to 12 inc. Blk. 9;
1 to 4 inc., Blk. 10;
4, 6, 7 11 to 15 inc., 32 to 36 inc., 38, 40 to 43 inc., Blk. 11;
18, 19, 28, 29, 33 to 36 inc., Blk. 12;
1 to 4 inc., 7, 15, 19, 20, 26, 27, 30 to 33 inc., 35, 37, 38, 39, 43 to 46 inc., Blk. 13;
1 to 6 inc., 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 18, 17, 24, 25, 28 to 30 inc., 32, 34, 37 to 41 inc., 36, 45, 46, Blk. 14;
5, Blk. 15;
4 to 7 inc., Blk. 16;
4 to 9 inc., 17 to 19 inc., Blk. 17;
7 to 14 inc., Blk 18;
1 to 5 inc., 8, 9, 14, 15, 17, 48, 49, Blk. 19;

All of the foregoing Blocks and Lots being in Section C aforesaid, and also the following lots and parcels in said Section C acquired by deed from the Trustees under the will of William C. Norcross, late of Wellesley, Mass., viz;

Lots 1 to 3 inc., 6 to 15 inc., 30 to 39 inc., 42, Blk. 2;
11, 12, 39 to 44 inc. Blk 3;
25, 26, Blk. 4;
26, 27, 29, Blk. 5;
5 to 7 inc., 13 to 15 inc., Blk. 9;
20, 23 to 27 inc., 30, 37, Blk. 11;
15, 16, 20 to 22 inc., 25 to 27 inc., Blk. 12;
15, Blk. 13;
5 to 6 inc., 14 to 18 inc., 21 to 23 inc., 26 to 30, inc., 32, 34, 36 to 46 inc.,
Blk 14;
7, 13, Blk. 18;
8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 17, 48, 49, Blk. 19;
also the following lots in Section B aforesaid, viz;
1 to 6 inc., Blk. 29.

Also all right, title and interest in any and all other lots or parcels in said Sections B and C conveyed to the Town by the deed from the said Norcross Trustees, and also the following Town lots in said Section B, viz;

Lots 6 to 12 inc., Blk. 29;
1, 2, 7, 8, 39, 44, 45, Blk. 31;
3 to 5 inc., 37 to 43 inc., Blk. 32;
7, 8, 36, 37, 42, 43, Blk. 33;
1 to 5 inc., and that part of Lot 6 lying in Wilmington, in Blk. 34;

together with any other lots in said Sections B and C which the Town may own or have any interest in (except those on which the Town merely has unenclosed Tax Titles) and also together with all rights of every name and nature which the Town may have in, on, or over any and all streets or ways in Wilmington shown on said plans of Sections B and C, or which may now exist over any part of said Sections B and C, be all or said areas or measurements more or less)

the price to be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), other terms of such sale to be at the discretion of the Selectmen and/or Town Manager.

The Finance Committee recommended favorable action on the article as read.
Two-thirds vote required.

Moderator declared motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. On a motion by Miss Eleanor Grimes it was voted to authorize the School Committee to establish and maintain state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws, and Acts amendatory thereto, or dependent thereon, and further to transfer from the Vocational Training 1932-36 Account the amount of Six Hundred Ninety-five Dollars and Twenty-four Cents (\$695.24) and appropriate the same therefor.

Finance Committee recommended favorable action on the article.

Mr. Lyons explained it was necessary to include this article in this Town Meeting to specify the fund from which to appropriate.

Article 6. Motion by Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons to raise or transfer from available funds, borrowing or otherwise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen

Hundred Dollars (\$1800.00) for the purchase and equipping of a new police cruiser. Amendment by Mr. Lyons to increase the amount to Two Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$2200.00).

Mr. Barrows stated that the Finance Committee voted four to two against the transfer of this amount from the E & D account.

Mr. Buzzell ruled the action taken previously was invalid.

Mr. Lyons explained that only by adjourning this meeting could the article be taken up before the March meeting in 1953. If the meeting adjourned to early in January the car could be purchased by a transfer from the 1953 E & D account and the Finance Committee would approve the transfer at that time.

On a motion by Mr. Lyons it was voted that this meeting be adjourned to January 5, 1953 at 8.00 p.m. at the High School Cafeteria for the purpose of acting on Article 6.

The meeting adjourned at 9.25 p.m.

There were 171 voters checked in.

A true copy, attest:

(Mrs.) Mary E. Gilligan
Town Clerk

Special Town Meeting held October 30, 1952 at High School Cafeteria, Wilmington

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant the Meeting was called to order by the Moderator at 8.00 p.m., but no quorum being present the meeting was recessed.

At 8.10 p.m., a quorum being present the Meeting was called to order by the Moderator.

The Warrant was read by the Moderator.

On a motion by Mr. Charles H. Black it was voted to dispense with further reading of the Warrant.

Article 1. On a motion by Mr. E. Hayward Bliss it was voted that the action taken under Article One of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held September 29, 1952, whereby it was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Thirty-five Thousand (\$535,000) Dollars for the purpose of acquiring land for, constructing and originally equipping and furnishing a grade school building be and it is hereby rescinded in its entirety.

The Moderator stated that on the suggestion of Mr. Dean C. Cushing a two-thirds vote would be taken on each article, and for that reason a standing vote was taken on each article.

Mr. Barrows stated that the Finance Committee recommends favorable action on all of the articles in this Warrant.

Yes - 82, No - 0.

Moderator declared the motion carried unanimously.

Article 2. On a motion by Mr. E. Hayward Bliss it was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Twenty-nine Thousand Dollars (\$529,000.00) for the purpose of acquiring land for, constructing and originally equipping and furnishing a grade school building, and to meet said appropriation that Two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-six Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$2,636.30) be transferred from available funds in the treasury and that Fourteen Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-three Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$14,363.70) be transferred from the High School Construction Account, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of Five Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$512,000.00) and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in not more than twenty (20) years. The present School Building Committee is authorized to enter into contracts and to do all things that are necessary for constructing, equipping and furnishing the said grade school building.

Finance Committee recommended favorable action as noted under Article 1.

Yes - 90, No - 0.

Moderator declared the motion unanimously carried.

Article 3. On a motion by Mr. Nicholas DeFelice it was voted that the action taken under Article Two of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held September 29, 1952, providing for the purchase of a parcel of land on Wildwood Street as a site for a grade school building be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Action of the Finance Committee was favorable.

Yes - 86, No - 0.

Moderator declared the motion unanimously accepted.

Article 4. On a motion by Mr. Alan D. Shepherd it was voted that the action taken under Article Three of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held September 29, 1952, providing for the purchase of a parcel of land in the rear of other land fronting on Wildwood Street as a site for a grade school building be and the same is hereby rescinded.

Finance Committee recommended favorable action.

Yes - 92, No - 0.

Moderator declared the article adopted unanimously.

Article 5. On a motion by Mr. Nicholas DeFelice it was voted that the Selectmen and/or Town Manager be and they hereby are authorized to purchase for the Town as a site for a grade school building the tract of land situated on the easterly side of Wildwood Street opposite the land recently acquired by the Wilmington Housing Authority, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the Easterly side of Wildwood Street 40.09 feet Southeasterly from land now or formerly of William Swain; thence running Easterly by land of Strout and Wing 334.9 feet; thence running Southeasterly by land last mentioned 558 feet to land of Barbas, thence running Southwesterly by said land last mentioned 304 feet to said Wildwood Street; thence running; Northwesterly by said Wildwood Street by two courses 364.62 feet and 235.38 feet to the point of beginning.

containing 4.25 acres more or less and shown as Lot B on Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass., dated July 24, 1952, made by S. Albert Kaufman, R. L. S. Malden, Mass., and the sum of Eight Thousand Six Hundred (\$8,600.00) Dollars is hereby appropriated for such purpose, said sum to be taken from the fund heretofore appropriated under Article Two of the Warrant for this Meeting.

Yes - 92, No - 0.

Moderator declared the article adopted unanimously.

Article 6. On a motion by Mr. Alan D. Shepherd it was voted that the Selectmen and/or Town Manager be and they hereby are authorized to purchase for the Town as a site for a grade school building a tract of land situated Easterly of Wildwood Street in the rear of other premises fronting on said street and opposite the land recently acquired by the Wilmington Housing Authority bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point 334.9 feet from the Easterly side of Wildwood Street
at the Northeasterly corner of Lot B on a plan hereinafter referred
to, thence running
Easterly in continuation of the Northerly sideline of said Lot B 265.1 feet;
thence running
Southeasterly 525.37 feet to a point on the Southerly sideline of said Lot B
extended; thence running
Southwesterly 296 feet along the extended Southerly sideline of said Lot B
to the Southeasterly corner of said Lot B; thence running
Northwesterly 558 feet by and with said Lot B to the point of beginning,

said tract containing 3.46 acres more or less and shown as Lot A on Plan of Land in Wilmington, Mass., dated July 24, 1952, made by S. Albert Kaufman, R. L. S. Malden, Mass., and the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) is hereby appropriated for such purpose, said sum to be taken from the fund heretofore appropriated under Article Two of the Warrant for this Meeting.

Finance Committee already recommended favorable action.

Yes - 92, No - 0.

Motion declared adopted unanimously.

It was unanimously moved to adjourn at 8.28 p.m.

There were 96 voters present.

A true copy, attest:

(Mrs.) Mary E. Gilligan
Town Clerk

STATE ELECTION, November 4, 1952, held in the High School Cafeteria

In accordance with the foregoing Warrant the meeting was called to order by the Warden, Mr. Kenneth M. Lyons, chairman of the Board of Selectmen, at 5.45 a.m. The ballot box was opened in the presence of the Warden, Town Clerk and Police Officer and found to be empty, the register indicated 0000. The ballot box was then locked and the keys given to the police officer.

The tellers were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties by the Town Clerk.

At 6.00 a.m. the polls were declared open.

At 8.00 p.m. the polls were declared closed.

All of the ballots given in were sorted, counted, recorded and declaration thereof made, as by law is directed, and were for the following, namely:

Electors of President and Vice-President:

Eisenhower and Nixon, Nineteen Hundred Seventy-six	1976
Hallinan and Bass, Three	3
Hamblen and Holtwick, None	0
Hass and Emery, One	1
Stevenson and Sparkman, Twelve Hundred Forty-four	1244
Blanks, Sixty-two	62
	<u>3286</u>

Governor:

Paul A. Dever, Fourteen Hundred Fifty-six	1456
Christian A. Herter, Seventeen Hundred Fifty-nine	1759
Lawrence Gilfedder, Five	5
Florence H. Luscomb, Five	5
Guy S. Williams, Three	3
Blanks, Fifty-eight	58
	<u>3286</u>

Lieutenant Governor:

Charles F. Jeff Sullivan, Twelve Hundred Ninety-six	1296
Sumner G. Whittier, Eighteen Hundred Ninety-one	1891
William R. Ferry, Five	5
Francis A. Votano, Eight	8
Blanks, Eighty-six	86
	<u>3286</u>

Secretary:

Edward J. Cronin, Fourteen Hundred Fifty-two	1452
Beatrice Hancock Mullaney, Sixteen Hundred Sixty-nine	1669
Alice M. Ferry, Sixteen	16
Fred M. Ingersoll, Sixteen	16
Blanks, One Hundred Thirty-three	133
	<u>3286</u>

Treasurer:	
Foster Furcolo, Thirteen Hundred Fifty-three	1353
Roy Charles Papalia, Seventeen Hundred Fifty-one	1751
Henning A. Blomen, Nine	9
Harold J. Ireland, Twenty-nine	29
Blanks, One Hundred Forty-four	144
	<u>3286</u>
Auditor:	
Thomas J. Buckley, Fifteen Hundred Eighty-two	1582
David J. Mintz, Fifteen Hundred Forty-four	1544
Anthony Martin, Twelve	12
Robert A. Simmons, Eight	8
Blanks, One Hundred Forty	140
	<u>3286</u>
Attorney General:	
Francis E. Kelly, Eleven Hundred Eighty-four	1184
George Fingold, Nineteen Hundred Eighty	1980
Arthur W. Blomen, Four	4
Howard B. Rand, Fourteen	14
Blanks, One Hundred Four	104
	<u>3286</u>
Senator in Congress:	
Henry Cabot Lodge, Eighteen Hundred Twenty-six	1826
John F. Kennedy, Fourteen Hundred Fourteen	1414
Thelma Ingersoll, One	1
Mark R. Shaw, Two	2
Blanks, Forty-three	43
	<u>3286</u>
Congressman, Fifth District:	
Edith Nourse Rogers, Twenty-five Hundred Ninety-six	2596
Helen M. Fitzgerald Cullen, Six Hundred Nineteen	619
Miriam S. Hall, Four	4
Blanks, Sixty-seven	67
	<u>3286</u>
Councillor, Sixth District:	
John F. Casey, Twelve Hundred Fifty	1250
M. Edward Viola, Eighteen Hundred Ninety-five	1895
Blanks, One Hundred Forty-one	141
	<u>3286</u>
Senator, Seventh Middlesex District:	
George J. Evans, Eighteen Hundred Fifty-nine	1859
Francis J. Irvin, Twelve Hundred Seventy	1270
Blanks, One Hundred Fifty-seven	157
	<u>3286</u>

Representatives in General Court, Eighteenth Middlesex District:

Frank D. Tanner, Nineteen Hundred Seventy-six	1976
Mary A. Terwilliger, Thirteen Hundred Forty	1340
Charles E. Wilkinson, Fourteen Hundred Thirty-three	1433
Blanks, Eighteen Hundred Twenty-three	1823

1976
1340
1433
1823
6572

Clerk of Courts, Middlesex County:

Charles T. Hughes, Eighteen Hundred Nineteen	1819
Edward J. Sullivan, Thirteen Hundred Twenty-two	1322
Blanks, One Hundred Forty-five	145

1819
1322
145
3286

Register of Deeds, Middlesex Northern District:

Frederic H. Brown, Nineteen Hundred Forty-three	1943
Frederick J. Finnegan, Twelve Hundred Thirteen	1213
Blanks, One Hundred Thirty	130

1943
1213
130
3286

County Commissioners, Middlesex County:

William G. Andrew, Seventeen Hundred Fifty-four	1754
James A. Cullen, Twelve Hundred Fifty-two	1252
H. Herbert Applin, Thirteen Hundred Fifty-five	1355
Patrick J. Brennan, One Thousand Seventy-nine	1079
Blanks, Eleven Hundred Thirty-two	1132

1754
1252
1355
1079
1132
6572

Question No. 1

A. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

Yes, Eight Hundred Seventy-three	873
No, Nineteen Hundred Eighty-three	1983
Blanks, Four Hundred Thirty	430

873
1983
430
3286

B. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

Yes, Nine Hundred Twenty-one	921
No, Eighteen Hundred Ninety-two	1892
Blanks, Four Hundred Seventy-three	473

921
1892
473
3286

C. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

Yes, Twenty-four Hundred Fifty-two	2452
No, Five Hundred Seventy-seven	577
Blanks, Two Hundred Fifty-seven	257

2452
577
257
3286

There were Seventy-two Absentee ballots, Thirty-two of which were Service.

There were Thirty-two Hundred Eighty-six names checked on the voting list.

After declaration of the vote the meeting was dissolved at 4.30 a.m.

A true copy.

Attest.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

To: Harry J. Ainsworth, Constable of the Town of Wilmington:

Greetings:- In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed in the By-Laws of said Town, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet and assemble at the

HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
Monday, the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1953

at 9.45 o'clock in the forenoon, the polls to be opened at 10.00 A. M. and shall be closed at 8.00 P. M., for the election of Town Offices:

ARTICLE 1. To bring in your votes on one ballot respectively for the following named Offices, to wit: Two Selectmen for the term of three years; two Members of the School Committee for the term of three years; one Moderator for the term of one year; one Member of the Wilmington Housing Authority for the term of five years.

You are also hereby further required and directed to notify and warn the said inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington who are qualified to vote on elections and town affairs, therein, to assemble subsequently and meet in Town Meeting at the J. W. Greer Co. office building, Main Street, in said Town of Wilmington.

on
Monday, the 9th Day of March, A. D. 1953
at eight o'clock, P. M.

then and there to act on the following Articles:

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to ratify and confirm all actions, votes and proceedings taken or done at the Special Town Meeting held October 30, 1952, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the reports of Committees and act thereon.

ARTICLE 4. To see how much money the Town will appropriate for the expenses of the Town and salaries of the several Town Offices and Departments and determine how the same shall be raised, whether by taxation, transfer from available funds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 5. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended by the Town Manager for temporary cost of living increases in the compensation of all Town Officers and Employees, other than School Department Employees, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 6. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Departmental Unpaid Bills of previous years. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning January 1, 1953, and to issue notes therefore payable within one year, all in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell at Public Auction in the evening, properties taken by the Town under Tax Title foreclosure procedure and to execute all documents necessary to carry out the purpose of the vote and determine how said sale shall be advertised and conducted, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to study and report at a subsequent Town Meeting the question of the adoption of a Representative Form of Town Meeting Government, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Edwin J. Twomey and others.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from any available funds, and appropriate, any sum of money for the expenses of a committee to investigate and report at a subsequent Town Meeting, but not later than the next Annual Town Meeting upon the subject of additional school accommodations, and determine the number of members of such committee and how the same shall be appointed, or do anything in relation thereto. Submitted jointly by the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land bounded by a line drawn at a distance of 500 feet westerly of and parallel to West Street extending from the Wilmington-Reading Town line to a point 700 feet south of Suncrest Avenue; then westerly to Woburn Street along a straight line parallel to and 700 feet southerly of Suncrest Avenue; then southerly along Woburn Street to the Wilmington-Woburn Town

line; then easterly along the Wilmington Town line to the point of beginning, so that same shall be in a heavy industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land bounded by a line drawn at a distance of 500 feet westerly of and parallel to Main St. extending from the Wilmington-Woburn Town line to its intersection with a line established by extending the nearest 500 feet of Eames Street westerly in a straight line; then westerly along this established line to a point 700 feet east of Chestnut Street; then southerly and parallel to Chestnut Street to the Wilmington-Woburn Town line; then easterly along the Wilmington Town line to the point of beginning, so that same shall be in a heavy industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and plan by changing that section of land, comprising a portion of the location of the former Salem and Lowell Branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad between Andover and Ballardvale Streets, and the land adjacent thereto and extending to a depth of 600 feet on each side of said location, bounded northwesterly by a line drawn parallel to and at a distance of 500 feet southeasterly from Ballardvale Street, - and bounded southeasterly by a line drawn parallel to and at a distance of 700 feet northwesterly from Andover Street, so that same shall be in a heavy industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land bounded on the south by Maple Meadow Brook; on the east by Lubber Brook; on the north by Concord Street; and on the west by the Boston and Maine Railroad (Portland Division), so that same shall be in a light industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land bounded by a line drawn at a distance of 200 feet westerly of and parallel to Forest Street extending from Randolph Road to a point 200 feet southerly from Aldrich Road; then westerly and parallel to Aldrich Road to the Wilmington-Billerica Town line; then southeasterly along the Wilmington Town line to Randolph Road; then easterly along Randolph Road to the point of beginning, so that same shall be in a light industrial district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Plan by changing that section of land immediately east of and parallel to the Boston and Maine Railroad (Lawrence Branch) between Glen Road on the south and Lubber Brook on the north, now described on the Zoning Plan as partly light industrial district and partly General residence district, so that same shall be in a single residence district, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or some other amount, the money to be expended under the direction of the 4-H Town Committee, serving in co-operation with the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 General Laws of Massachusetts or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Barbara Nims and others.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the observance of Memorial Day, and that the Moderator appoint a Committee who shall arrange and have charge of such observance, or do anything in relation thereto. Submitted by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for the purpose of renewing under the authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended the lease of the American Legion Club-house in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Post 136 of the American Legion, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Arthur B. Harper and others.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for the purpose of renewing under Authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended, the lease of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Club-house on Main Street in Wilmington for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Nee-Ellsworth Post 2458 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of William S. Simmons and others.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) under authority of Section 9 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws as amended for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for the Wilmington Chapter 106 of the Disabled American Veterans, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of James P. Kelly and others.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to empower the Wilmington Housing Authority to erect a new Housing Project in the Town under the provisions of Chapter 550 of the Acts of 1952, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Wilmington Housing Authority.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for off-site utilities essential to the construction of any project which may be authorized under the previous Article, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Wilmington Housing Authority.

ARTICLE 24. To see how much money the Town will raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of a so-called Addressograph or similar machine for use in the clerical work of the Town, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 25. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of two two-wave radios for use by the Police and Tree Departments, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of Town Manager.

ARTICLE 26. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of two trucks with all necessary equipment for use by the Highway Department, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 27. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of a power grader with all necessary equipment for use by the Highway Department, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 28. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate for the purchase of two sidewalk snow plows, complete with all essential equipment for the Highway Department, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the School Committee.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and approved by the Planning Board: Judith Road, Birchwood Road, Burnap Street, Olmstead Avenue, Pine View Road, Essex Road, Faulkner Avenue,

Garden Avenue, Brattle Street, Cottage Street, Roman Way and Olson Road and to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9,000) for the purpose of putting said streets into passable condition, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to accept the following streets as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and approved by the Planning Board; Hathaway Road to Carson Avenue, Chase Road, Carson Avenue and Truman Road, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Town Manager.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to install street lights in the following streets:

Westdale Avenue	- 1 light	Lloyd Road	- 1 light
Davis Road	- 2 lights	Harvard Avenue	- 2 lights
North Street	- 4 lights	Morse Avenue	- 4 lights
Burnap Street	- 1 light	Glendale Circle	- 2 lights
Grand Street	- 2 lights		

or do anything in relation thereto. On petitions of residents of these streets.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, Town Manager and Water Commissioners, on behalf of the Town, to contract with the Town of Tewksbury for the purchase of water from the Tewksbury water system at the price of \$137.50 per million gallons for a term of five years from January 9, 1953 for the supply of certain takers in the vicinity of Nichols Street, other terms of said contract to be at the discretion of the officers executing the same, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Water Commissioners.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation, or transfer from available funds, and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) for the purpose of extending or installing public water mains in the following streets: Shady Lane Drive to Sprucewood Road; Marjorie Road from Main Street for a distance of 1400 feet; Ballardvale Street for a distance of 2350 feet; Salem Street for the purpose of installing a hydrant at or near the corner of Woburn Street; and Woburn Street northerly to Concord Street. Any money remaining to be spent in installing mains in Concord Street easterly from Woburn Street, or do anything in relation thereto. On request of the Water Main Extension Advisory Committee.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation, transfer from available funds, borrow outside the debt limit, and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the purchase and installation of meters on individual services in the public water system of the town, the same to be done under the direction of the Water Commissioners, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Minot J. Anderson and others.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to cover travel, hotel and other expenses of any prominent athletes representing Wilmington High School or any other Wilmington School in New England, National Canadian, International or World Championship athletic contests, the selections of contestants and administration of said funds to be directed by a sub-committee of the Wilmington School Committee, or do anything in relation thereto. On petition of Irving Appleby and others.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant, or a certified copy thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, as soon as may be and before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal of said Town this..... Day of February, A. D., One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Three.

Kenneth M. Lyons

Charles H. Black

Frederic P. Melzar

Joseph H. Woods

James H. Lawler

ATTEST:

Selectmen of Wilmington

(Mrs.) Mary E. Gilligan
Town Clerk

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
GENERAL ACCOUNTS
BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1952

ASSETS

Cash		\$204,021.67
Accounts Receivables:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1948: Poll Taxes	42.00	
Personal Property	245.75	
Levy of 1949: Poll Taxes	20.00	
Personal Property	1,200.60	
Levy of 1950: Poll Taxes	52.00	
Personal Property	1,047.20	
Levy of 1951: Poll Taxes	90.00	
Personal Property	1,469.31	
Real Estate	317.83	
Levy of 1952: Poll Taxes	158.00	
Personal Property	4,497.60	
Real Estate	66,816.75	75,957.04
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1948:	6.66	
Levy of 1949:	5.62	
Levy of 1950:	150.00	
Levy of 1952:	6,448.82	6,611.10
Less Abatement in excess of 1951 Levy Comm't.	31.35	6,579.75
Tax Titles	31,805.35	
Tax Possessions	11,147.46	42,952.81
Departmental Appropriations:		
Temporary Aid	6,170.15	
Old Age Assistance	1,981.11	
Aid to Dependent Children	6,222.50	
Veterans' Benefits	1,337.14	
Disability Assistance	2,426.56	18,137.46
Water Department Appropriations:		
Rates	9,358.78	
Services	8,884.22	18,243.00
State Aid - Accounts Receivable (Chapter 81)		14,830.00
Loans Authorized		572,000.00
Petty Cash Account:		
Town Manager	25.00	
Tax Collector	25.00	50.00
Carter Lecture Fund Income - due from Sears-Cook-Walker Library Fund Income - due from Underestimates:		
State Audit Assessment	601.60	
State Parks Assessment	64.41	666.01
Overlays:		
Levy of 1938:	4.36	
Levy of 1939:	3.98	
Levy of 1940:	4.12	
Levy of 1941:	3.98	
Levy of 1942:	4.20	
Levy of 1943:	1.94	
Levy of 1944:	2.10	
Levy of 1946:	69.31	
Levy of 1947:	335.80	
Levy of 1948:	434.30	
Levy of 1949:	110.35	
Levy of 1950:	550.92	
Levy of 1951:	1,268.94	
Levy of 1952:	840.64	3,634.99
		957,469.34

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
GENERAL ACCOUNTS
BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1952

LIABILITIES

Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Reimbursements	14,830.00
Dog Licenses - Due County Commissioners	78.00
Overpayments to Tax Collector	295.30
Excess Receipts Reserved - Lands of Low Value:	
Section 79, Chapter 60, General Laws	80.80
Tailings	179.91
Surplus War Bonus Fund	1,475.83
Road Machinery Fund Account	3,924.22
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	24.00
Premium on School Bonds	2,503.75
Accrued Interest on School Loan Bonds	339.06
Blue Cross/Shield Deductions - Reserved for Payment	200.00
School Lunch Program	2,142.43
High School Band Fund	117.57
High School Athletic Association Fund	459.04
Receipts from Manual Training Program	45.13
Investigating Committee - Evaluating the School Housing Program	939.50
Reserve for Petty Cash Advances	50.00
Water Guarantee Deposits	485.00
Overestimates: County Hospital Assessments	1,453.55
County Tax Assessments	2,280.26
Overlay 1945 - Reserved for Abatement	6.37
Federal Grants:	
Aid to Dependent Children, Admin.	688.75
Aid to Dependent Children, Aid	1,601.79
Old Age Assistance, Admin.	747.25
Old Age Assistance, Aid	1,306.05
Disability Assistance	3,808.11
	8,151.95
Loans Unissued	572,000.00
Reserve Fund - Overlay Surplus	2,510.58
Abatements in Excess of Commitments:	
Real Estate Taxes - 1948	7.35
Real Estate Taxes - 1949	1.40
Real Estate Taxes - 1950	86.47
	95.22
Unexpended Appropriation Balances:	
(Carried over to 1953)	
Civil Defense	295.79
Chapter 90 Construction 1952	704.17
Water Extensions 1952	710.94
Putting Specified Streets in passable condition	148.12
Adult Evening Vocational Training School	344.24
Purchase of New Fire Truck	6,562.71
Installation & Maintenance of Flouridation	
Equipment	1,250.00
Surveying & Laying out Streets	26.96
Construction & Equip. New Elementary Sch.	5,400.00
Const. & Equip. New Police/Fire Building	9,575.00
	25,017.93
Revenue Reserved until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	6,579.75
Departmental Revenue	18,137.46
Water Revenue	18,243.00
Tax Title & Possession Revenue	42,952.81
	85,913.02
Surplus Revenue - 1953	231,870.92
	957,469.34

Massachusetts Town Report Contest

This Certifies that the Town of

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1961

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Selectmen's Association



AGENCY AND TRUST FUNDS

Amounts withheld from wages and salaries for payment to depositaries for:	
Withholding Taxes	41,776.89
Blue Cross/Shield Deductions	1,979.33
Middlesex County Retirement System Ded.	<u>8,456.88</u>
	52,213.10

Trust Fund Income	None
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Dog License fees, collected by Town Clerk, for Middlesex County Commissioner	2,700.25
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests	650.00
Road Machinery Fund Account	880.80
Water Department (Guaranteed Deposits)	9,389.69

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

Sale of Town Owned Property	3,732.00
Water Service Contract (J. W. Greer Company)	11,576.40

VARIOUS REFUNDS

Amounts taken into Treasury as refunds of expenditure payments against appropriations	4,661.92
U. S. Grants	461.65

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Actual receipts an estimate of which the Board of Assessors took into account in setting the 1952 tax rate	<u>335,475.29</u>
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TOTAL RECEIPTS DURING 1952	\$1,267,256.05
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STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT
Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue

Balance, January 1, 1952: Notes #495 - 497 - 498 \$150,000.00

Borrowed during 1952:

Note #499	\$ 50,000.00
Note #500	50,000.00
Note #501	50,000.00
Note #502	50,000.00
	200,000.00
	\$ 350,000.00

Paid during 1952:

Note #495	50,000.00	
Note #497	50,000.00	
Note #498	50,000.00	
Note #499	50,000.00	
Note #500	50,000.00	
Note #501	50,000.00	
Note #502	<u>50,000.00</u>	
		<u>350,000.00</u>
Balance due during 1953		None

**Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Reimbursement
by State and County Aid to Highways**

Borrowed during 1952:

Note #503 14,830.00

Balance as of December 31, 1952

14,830.00

STATEMENT OF FUNDED OR FIXED DEBT

	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1952	Paid during 1952	Balance as of Dec. 31, 1952
Water Department Bonds (issue of 1928)	87,500.00	12,500.00	75,000.00
Water Mains Extension Notes (issue of 1946)	50,000.00	5,000.00	45,000.00
Water Mains Extension Notes (issue of 1947)	12,000.00	2,000.00	10,000.00
Water Mains Extension Notes (issue of 1948)	8,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
School Loan:			
Inside of debt limit, Notes 1-265	250,000.00	15,000.00	235,000.00
Acts of 1947, Notes 1-200	190,000.00	10,000.00	180,000.00
	<u>\$597,500.00</u>	<u>\$48,500.00</u>	<u>\$549,000.00</u>

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

INTEREST - PAID ON:

4% Water Loan Bonds, 1928	1,750.00
Water Extension Notes:	
1946 Issue	593.75
1947 Issue	160.00
1948 Issue	180.00
Anticipation of Revenue Notes	932.85 ¹
School Loan Bonds, 1950	3,850.00
	12,597.85

MATURING DEBT

Water Loan Bonds, 1928	4%	12,500.00
High School Bonds, 1950		25,000.00
Water Extension Notes:		
1946 Issue		5,000.00
1947 Issue		2,000.00
1948 Issue		4,000.00
		48,500.00

TOTAL INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT PAID

61.097.85

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
REPORT OF EXPENDITURES AGAINST APPROPRIATIONS AND HIGHWAY GRANTS IN ADV.

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1952

TITLE OF APPROPRIATION	Annual Town Meeting 3/20/52	Special Town Meeting 5/29/52	Transfers from Reserve Fund	Other	Amt. available for Expenditure during 1952	Expenditures 1952	BALANCES	
							As of 12/31/52	To 1952 Revenue
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
Town Manager Salary	6,000.00			A 300.00	6,300.00	6,299.80	.20	.20
Town Manager's Clerk Salary	2,500.00			A 125.00	2,625.00	2,310.26	314.74	317.74
Town Manager's Expenses	2,000.00	175.00		C 125.00	2,100.00	2,015.59	- 8.59	- 8.59
Soldier's Expenses	355.00				355.00	205.87	149.13	149.13
Town Accountant's Salary	1,800.00			A 90.00	1,890.00	1,890.00		
Town Accountant's Expenses	120.00		200.00		320.00	262.58	57.42	57.42
Treasurer's Salary	2,500.00			A 125.00	2,625.00	2,625.00		
Treasurer's Expenses (Amt. Certified for Tax Takings)				B 180.00	180.00	180.00		
The Collector's Salary	2,500.00			A 125.00	2,625.00	2,625.00		
Finance Committee Expenses	250.00				250.00	204.06	45.94	45.94
Assessor's Salaries	7,700.00			A 385.00	8,085.00	7,997.00	88.00	88.00
Town Counsel					100.00	100.00	4.17	4.17
Tax Clerk Salary	2,500.00			A 125.00	2,625.00	2,625.00		
Elections	2,000.00				2,000.00	1,907.43	992.57	992.57
Registrations	1,425.00		100.00		1,525.00	1,522.59	2.41	2.41
Planning Board	200.00				200.00	61.36	138.64	138.64
Town Hall Expenses	9,000.00		911.95		10,191.95	10,700.00	145.85	145.85
Board of Appeals	100.00				100.00	19.15	80.85	80.85
	42,475.00				1,386.95	1,455.00	45,316.95	43,207.62
							2,109.33	2,109.33
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY								
Police Dept. Salaries	21,480.00			A 1,004.00	23,014.00	22,911.46	102.54	102.54
Police Dept. Expenses	2,400.00				3,400.00	3,374.38	25.62	25.62
Ambulance	415.00		75.00		480.00	478.68	11.32	11.32
Constable	50.00				50.00			
Fire Department Salaries	21,810.00			A 1,090.50	23,150.50	23,086.61	63.89	63.89
Fire Department Expenses	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,967.77	- 4.77	- 4.77
Fire Department Overtime	1,000.00				1,000.00	952.38	47.62	47.62
Scaler of Wtg. & Measures - Salary	250.00				250.00	249.98	.04	.04
Scaler of Wtg. & Measures - Expenses	75.00				75.00	74.97	.03	.03
Civilian Defenders					C 417.66	417.66	118.77	300.89
Tree Warden Salary	2,500.00			A 125.00	2,625.00	2,625.00		
Tree Dept. Salaries & Expenses	4,000.00				4,000.00	3,990.20	9.80	9.80
Furnishing & Installing Traffic Control Light (Perry Corner)	58,180.00		575.00	C 4,500.00	4,500.00	4,004.00	496.00	496.00
							1,052.36	751.49
								300.89
HEALTH AND SANITATION								
Building Inspector & Sanitarian - Salary	3,000.00				3,000.00	1,354.10	1,545.54	1,465.84
Health Department Expenses	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,904.87	295.13	295.13
Public Health Nurse - Salary	2,500.00			A 125.00	2,625.00	2,517.07	7.93	7.93
Public Health Nurse - Expenses	500.00				500.00	418.87	81.13	81.13
Animal Inspector - Salary	250.00				250.00			
	9,250.00				125.00	9,375.00	7,344.97	2,030.03
								2,030.03
HIGHWAYS								
Salary & Wages	13,500.00			A 680.00	14,200.00	14,263.14	16.86	16.86
Expenses	12,500.00			D 315.00	12,500.00	12,466.04	31.96	31.96
Road Machinery Account	8,000.00			C 3,621.00	8,315.05	8,315.05		
Chap. 81 Construction, 1951				E 0,379.52	12,400.52	11,754.01	646.51	646.51
Chapter 90 Construction, 1951	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,295.83	704.17	704.17
Chapter 90 Construction, 1952	1,500.00			E 2,995.44	4,499.46	4,498.85	.61	.61
Chapter 90 Maintenance, 1952	1,500.00			E 1,946.70	1,141.43	1,132.62	8.81	8.81
Chapter 81	9,150.00			F 14,830.00	25,926.70	25,825.00	1.70	1.70
					11,000.00	10,450.32	545.68	545.68
Snow and Ice Removal	11,000.00			C 600.35	600.35	573.39	26.96	26.96
Surveying and Laying Out Streets				C 1,662.29	8,862.29	8,714.17	148.12	148.12
Putting Specified Streets in Passable Condition	7,000.00			C 1,141.43	1,141.43	1,132.62	8.81	8.81
Rebuilding Cross Streets as Laid Out					1,607.27	1,607.27	192.73	192.73
Public Street Lights	9,800.00				75,556.00	172,355.80	107,977.80	2,328.11
								1,648.84
								879.25
CHARITIES & SOLDIERS' BENEFITS								
Welfare, Administration	1,500.00			A 444.06	1,944.00	1,849.49	94.57	94.57
Widow & Orphan Fund	1,000.00			A 52.00	9,050.00	7,809.50	1,242.50	1,242.50
Aid to Dependent Children, Aid	1,000.00				1,000.00	990.19	1.85	1.85
Aid to Dependent Children, Aid	15,000.00				15,000.00	14,662.55	537.45	537.45
Old Age Assistance, Administration	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,998.08	.92	.92
Old Age Assistance, Assistance	16,500.00				16,500.00	16,481.79	1,881.21	1,881.21
Disability Assistance	5,000.00				3,000.00	G 3,942.22		
Veterans Benefits	9,000.00				G 1,894.14	13,836.36	10,188.25	3,808.11
	91,000.00				A 52.00	9,050.00	8,242.50	1,242.50
						1,000.00	990.19	1.85
						6,332.42	6,236.82	1,242.50
							12,998.11	9,190.00
								3,808.11
SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES								
Schools - Payroll	202,279.00				202,279.00	201,679.16	1,199.84	1,199.84
School Dept. Expenses	79,925.00				79,925.00	79,682.12	236.82	236.82
Coast & Org. Equip. New Elementary School	17,000.00				17,000.00	11,600.00	5,400.00	5,400.00
Repairs & Alterations to Jr. High School				37.04	C 2,751.60	2,788.63	2,780.64	
Vocational Training	5,900.00					5,000.00	2,517.17	2,482.83
Adult Evening Vocational Training	5,497.24					G 638.00	1,133.24	944.00
Librarian	2,300.00						2,300.00	2,129.44
	397,203.24						3,107.88	3,008.11
								170.11
								1,087.60
								5,744.25
RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED								
Unclassified	4,000.00					6,327.11	6,049.26	277.85
Used Books of Previous Years	337.81					337.81	337.81	
4-H Club Committee	100.00					100.00	100.00	
Aid to Dependent Children, Aid	1,000.00					1,000.00	990.19	1.85
Old Age Assistance, Administration	15,000.00					15,000.00	14,662.55	537.45
Old Age Assistance, Assistance	16,500.00					16,500.00	16,481.79	1.85
Disability Assistance	5,000.00					5,000.00	4,850.00	15.40
Memorial Day Exercises	500.00					4,850.00	4,850.00	
Purchase of 2 New Fire Trucks	4,850.00					4,850.00	4,850.00	
Const. & Org. Equip. Fire-Police Station	72,500.00					72,500.00	62,925.00	9,575.00
Purchase of New Fire Truck	13,000.00					13,000.00	6,437.29	6,562.71
Installation of New Fire Station	450.00					450.00	450.00	
Installation of 2 Way Radio	3,000.00					3,000.00	2,994.00	6.00
Installation of Playground Equipment	1,250.00					1,250.00	1,250.00	
Cost of Living Increase	8,900.00			C 6,571.65	1,428.35	018.96	609.39	609.39
	174,237.81			C 6,571.65	109,993.27	96,946.92	19,046.55	17,387.71
ENTERPRISES & CEMETERIES								
Water Department Salaries	23,000.00		4,000.00			G 119.30		
Water Department Expenses	22,000.00			A 1,150.00	28,249.30	26,932.21	1,337.09	1,337.09
Water Extenuations, Specified Streets	30,000.00			C 1,101.46	22,000.00	22,000.00		
Hydrant Service	7,500.00			H 1,276.40	42,677.86	41,966.92	710.94	710.94
Cemetery and Parks	12,000.00			C 677.00				
	74,100.00		4,000.00	A 546.00	12,546.09	12,582.43	- 36.34	- 36.34
INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT	13,665.00							
Maturing Debt	48,500.00			C 7,326.10	14,645.00	12,597.85	1,067.15	1,067.15
Reserve Fund	8,000.00					48,500.00	48,500.00	
	70,165.00			C 7,326.10	673.90	673.90		
						61,997.85	1,741.05	1,741.05
	854,761.05		6,000.00			55,716.58	516,477.63	601,326.74
							53,150.89	24,319.75
								28,831.14

NOTES: A Cost of living increase voted at Annual Town Meeting 3/20/52
B Amount Certified by Assessors for Treasurer's Tax Takings
C Balance carried forward from 1951
D Town Equipment Hire (used for Chap. 81 and Chap. 90 Work)

NOTES: E State and County Reimbursements for work performed
F Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Reimbursements from State
G Grants and Reimbursements
H Amount received from J. W. Greer Company for Water Services

PUBLIC LIFE

Who enters public service expecting appreciation will be disappointed. The mother does not expect from the two-year-old whom she spans, to keep from running into the street, an engraved vote of thanks for her services. She expects the small howls of rage which are the natural reaction at having liberty restricted. She hardly hears them, and feels well rewarded if the child learns the lesson of safe bounds.

The crowd always turns against its benefactors. Jesus was tempted to "sell himself," but did not stop his work because of it, nor though he knew the bitter end. Washington was abused without measure by his contemporaries. So was Lincoln. Nor did they resign in fits of temper before their work was done.

The man who would truly serve the public must realize in the beginning that "the road winds uphill all the way," that its only joy lies in the consciousness of renunciation of self for the common good, its only reward the knowledge of some small good accomplished.

Seeking this only, he sticks.

-Anonymous



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